# COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND PARISH OF JEFFERSON, LOUISIANA FOR RESTORATION AND REHABILITATION OF FEDERAL FLOOD CONTROL WORKS

**THIS AGREEMENT** is entered into by and between THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY (hereinafter referred to as the "Government") represented by the District Commander, New Orleans District, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the PARISH OF JEFFERSON, LOUISIANA (hereinafter referred to as the "Public Sponsor"), represented by the Council Chairman of the Jefferson Parish Government.

#### WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the Government constructed and is constructing the flood control project (hereinafter referred to as the "Project") authorized by Section 108 of the Fiscal Year 1996 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, Public Law 104-45, and Section 533 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996, Public Law 104-303, as amended, and governed by the Project Cooperation Agreement dated effective January 16, 1997, by and between the Department of the Army and Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, for that portion of the Southeast Louisiana, Louisiana Project (hereinafter the "SELA" project) situated in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, as amended by Amendment Number 1 to the aforesaid Project Cooperation Agreements remain in full force and effect;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Department of Defense, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act to Address Hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico and Pandemic Influenza, 2006, Public Law 109-148, the Government is authorized to repair, restore or rehabilitate flood damage reduction and hurricane and storm damage reduction projects, and related works, at full Federal expense;

WHEREAS, via written correspondence, the Public Sponsor has requested the Government to repair, restore or rehabilitate the Project, which was damaged by recent flooding or coastal storms, in accordance with Public Law 109-148 and established policies of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and,

WHEREAS, the Public Sponsor hereby represents that it has the authority and legal capability to furnish the non-Federal cooperation hereinafter set forth and is willing to participate in the rehabilitation effort of the authorized Project in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;

### NOW THEREFORE, the Government and the Public Sponsor agree as follows:

## **ARTICLE I – DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS**

For purposes of this agreement:

A. The term "Rehabilitation Effort" shall mean the repair, restoration, and rehabilitation of damaged elements of that portion of the Southeast Louisiana, Louisiana project situated in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana to the pre-storm level of design protection as constructed prior to the 2005 hurricane event, as generally described in the "Project Information Report, Rehabilitation of Damaged Flood Control Works, Federal and Non-Federal Pump Stations, Flood Control, Jefferson Parish, LA", prepared by the District Commander, U. S. Army Engineer District, New Orleans, dated April 2006 and approved by the Deputy Division Commander on April 14, 2006 (hereinafter "PIR"). This Cooperation Agreement is applicable only to those SELA project elements identified in the report as damaged Federal pump stations. It is understood and agreed that this Project Information Report is subject to change by the Government, at the Government's sole discretion, in consultation with the Public Sponsor.

B. The term "Rehabilitation Effort costs" shall mean all costs incurred by the Public Sponsor and the Government, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, directly related to implementation of the Rehabilitation Effort. The term shall include, but is not necessarily limited to, actual construction costs, including supervision and inspection costs; costs of contract dispute settlements or awards; the costs of lands, easements, rights of way, borrow, relocations, and dredged or excavated material disposal areas that are not owned, claimed, or controlled by the Public Sponsor; and the cost of investigations to identify the existence of hazardous substances as identified in Article XII.A. The term shall not include any costs for operation and maintenance; any costs to correct deferred or deficient maintenance; any increased costs for betterments or Public Sponsor preferred alternatives; or the costs of lands, easements, rights-of-way, relocations, or suitable borrow and dredged or excavated material disposal areas required for the Rehabilitation Effort that are owned, claimed, or controlled by the Public Sponsor.

C. The term "betterment" shall mean the design and construction of a Rehabilitation Effort feature accomplished on behalf of, or at the request of, the Public Sponsor, in accordance with standards that exceed the standards that the Government would otherwise apply for accomplishing the Rehabilitation Effort.

# **ARTICLE II - OBLIGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SPONSOR**

A. The Government, subject to receiving funds appropriated by the Congress of the United States, shall expeditiously implement the Rehabilitation Effort, applying those procedures usually followed or applied in Government constructed Federal projects, pursuant to Federal laws, regulations, and policies. The Public Sponsor, to the extent possible, shall be afforded the opportunity to review and comment on solicitations for all contracts, including relevant plans and specifications, prior to the issuance of such solicitations. The District Commander will, in good faith, consider the comments of the Public Sponsor, but award of contracts, modifications or change orders, and performance of all work on the Rehabilitation Effort (whether the work is performed under contract or by Government personnel), shall be exclusively within the control of the District Commander.

B. As further specified in Article III, the Public Sponsor shall provide right of entry to all lands, easements, and rights-of-way, including access routes, temporary construction areas, and suitable relocation, borrow and dredged or excavated material disposal areas determined by the Government to be necessary for construction, operation, and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort and the Project.

1. As further specified in Article III, after receiving the Public Sponsor's right of entry to the lands, easements, and rights of way, including access routes, temporary construction and suitable relocation, borrow and dredged or excavated material disposal areas (LERD) that are described in Article III.A.2. and III.A.3. of this Agreement, the Government, subject to the availability of appropriations, shall identify and pay just compensation to the owners of a compensable interest in the LERD described in Article III.A.3 of this Agreement. Additionally, the Government, subject to the availability of appropriations, shall acquire interests in those LERD described in Article III.A.2 of this Agreement to which the Public Sponsor was unable to obtain right of entry despite its best efforts.

2. As further specified in Article II, the Government shall perform such relocations as it determines to be necessary for the Rehabilitation Effort.

C. The Public Sponsor shall not use Federal funds to meet its share of total Rehabilitation Effort costs under this Agreement unless the Federal granting agency verifies in writing that the expenditure of such funds is expressly authorized by statute.

D. The Public Sponsor shall hold and save the Government free from all damages arising from the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort, and any related betterments, except for damages due to the fault or negligence of the Government or the Government's contractors.

E. The Public Sponsor may request the Government to accomplish betterments. The Public Sponsor shall be solely responsible for any increase in costs resulting from the betterments and all such increased costs will be paid in advance by the Public Sponsor in accordance with Article IV.

F. The Public Sponsor shall prevent encroachments on lands, easements, and rights-of-way provided by or acquired on behalf of the Public Sponsor for the Rehabilitation Effort which may interfere with the proper functioning of the Project being repaired, restored, or rehabilitated by the Rehabilitation Effort, as determined by the Government. Said real estate interests shall be retained in public ownership for uses compatible with the authorized purposes of the Project being repaired, restored or rehabilitated by the Rehabilitation Effort.

G. The Public Sponsor agrees to participate in and comply with applicable Federal floodplain management and flood insurance programs, and comply with the requirements of Section 402 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended.

H. Not less than once each year the Public Sponsor shall inform affected interests of the extent of protection afforded by the Project.

I. The Public Sponsor shall publicize flood plain information in the area concerned and shall provide this information to zoning and other regulatory agencies for their use in preventing unwise future development in the flood plain and in adopting such regulations as may be necessary to prevent unwise future development and to ensure compatibility with protection levels provided by the Project.

# ARTICLE III - LANDS, RELOCATIONS, DISPOSAL AREAS, AND PUBLIC LAW 91-646 COMPLIANCE

A. The Government shall provide the Public Sponsor with a description of the anticipated real estate requirements and relocations for the Rehabilitation Effort. Thereafter, the Public Sponsor shall, at no cost to the Government, provide right of entry to all lands, easements, and rights-of-way, including suitable relocation, borrow and dredged or excavated material disposal areas, access routes and temporary construction areas (hereinafter "LERD"), as may be determined by the Government in that description, or in any subsequent description, to be necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort, in the manner hereinafter discussed.

1. The Public Sponsor shall provide right of entry to all LERD that it owns, claims or controls (hereinafter Public Sponsor LERD) in a manner that is free and clear of any liens, defects of title, or encumbrances, including the release or subordination to the Rehabilitation Effort of any third party interests, as determined by the Government to be necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort;

2. The Public Sponsor shall use its best efforts to provide right of entry to LERD that any other non-Federal governmental entity owns, claims, or controls (hereinafter Other Non-Federal Governmental LERD) in a manner that is free and clear of any liens, defects of title, or encumbrances, including the release or subordination to the Rehabilitation Effort of any third party interests within such LERD, as determined by the Government to be necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort; and

3. The Public Sponsor shall provide right of entry to all other LERD not owned, claimed, or controlled by the Public Sponsor or Other Non-Federal Governmental Entities (hereinafter Private LERD) as follows: a. The Public Sponsor shall secure or cause to be secured an executive commandeering order or orders from the President of Jefferson Parish, Louisiana and/or the Governor of the State of Louisiana, which said order or orders shall commandeer Private LERD, in accordance with powers set forth in La. R.S. 29:721, et seq., including all privately owned third party interests, as determined by the Government to be necessary for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort;

b. In the event that the commandeering official is not the presiding official of the Public Sponsor, the Public Sponsor must secure a right of entry from the commandeering official to the Private LERD described in the Commandeering Order or Orders; and

c. The Public Sponsor shall tender a right of entry to the Government for the Private LERD.

4. The necessary lands, easements, and rights-of-way may be provided incrementally for each construction contract. All lands, easements, and rights-ofway determined by the Government to be necessary for work to be performed under a construction contract must be furnished prior to the advertisement of that construction contract.

B. The Government shall perform such relocations as it determines to be necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Rehabilitation Effort. In addition, the Government, in the name of the Public Sponsor, shall identify and provide just compensation to the owners of a compensable interest in the Private LERD and shall acquire the requisite interests in the non-Federal Governmental LERD to which the Public Sponsor, despite its best efforts, was unable to obtain a free and unencumbered right of entry, all in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Policy Act of 1970, Public Law 91-646, as amended by Title IV of the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (Public Law 100-17), and the Uniform Regulations contained in 49 CFR Part 24, in acquiring lands, easements, and rights of way, required for construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project and the Rehabilitation Effort, including those necessary for relocations, borrow materials, and dredged or excavated material disposal, and shall inform all affected persons of applicable benefits, policies, and procedures in connection with said Act.

1. The Government shall obtain a deed or servitude agreement, as appropriate, in the name of the Public Sponsor, for those interests described in the Commandeering Order or Orders referenced in Paragraph A.3.a. of this Article. In like manner, the Government shall obtain a deed or servitude agreement, as appropriate, in the name of the Public Sponsor, for those interests in the non-Federal Governmental LERD to which the Public Sponsor, despite its best efforts, was unable to obtain a free and unencumbered right of entry. 2. Where the Government is unable to obtain free and unencumbered title on the behalf of the Public Sponsor or to reach an agreement with the interest owners in the Private and Other Non-Federal Governmental LERD, the Government shall obtain such interests, in the name of the United States of America, through the exercise of its eminent domain authority.

3. After the Rehabilitation Effort is complete and the acquisition and eminent domain proceedings finalized, the Government shall transfer and assign all of the Private and Other Non-Federal Governmental LERD acquired in the name of the United States of America pursuant to paragraph B.2. of this Article to the Public Sponsor through quitclaim deed, which said transfer, quitclaim, and assignment the Public Sponsor hereby agrees to accept.

# **ARTICLE IV - METHOD OF PAYMENT**

A. The Public Sponsor shall provide, during the period of construction, cash payments, in-kind services, or a combination thereof, required to meet the Public Sponsor's obligations under Article II of the Agreement. Rehabilitation Effort costs are currently estimated to be \$287,000 and the Public Sponsor's share (cash and services in kind) of total Rehabilitation Effort costs is currently estimated to be \$0.0 (zero dollars). The dollar amounts set forth in this paragraph are based upon the Government's best estimates that reflect projections of costs, price level changes, and anticipated inflation. Such cost estimates are subject to adjustments based upon costs actually incurred and are not to be construed as the total financial responsibilities of the Government and the Public Sponsor.

B. The required cash contribution shall be provided as follows: At least ten calendar days prior to the award of the first construction contract, the Government shall notify the Public Sponsor of the Public Sponsor's estimated share of the total Rehabilitation Effort costs including the Public Sponsor's estimated share of the costs attributable to the Rehabilitation Effort incurred prior to the initiation of construction. Within five calendar days thereafter, the Public Sponsor shall provide the Government the full amount of the required contribution by delivering a check payable to "FAO, USAED, B2, New Orleans" to the District Commander of the U.S. Army Engineer District, New Orleans. The Government shall draw on the funds provided by the Public Sponsor such sums as the Government deems necessary to cover contractual and in-house fiscal obligations attributable to the Rehabilitation Effort as they are incurred, as well as Rehabilitation Effort costs incurred by the Government. In the event that Rehabilitation Effort costs are expected to exceed the estimate given at the outset of construction, the Government shall immediately notify the Public Sponsor of the additional contribution the Public Sponsor will be required to make to meet the Public Sponsor's share of the revised estimate. Within ten calendar days thereafter, the Public Sponsor shall provide the Government the full amount of the additional required contribution.

C. During the period of construction, the Government will provide periodic financial reports on the status of the total Rehabilitation Effort costs and status of contributions made by the Public Sponsor. Upon completion of the Rehabilitation Effort and resolution of all relevant contract claims and appeals, the Government shall compute the Rehabilitation Effort costs and tender to the Public Sponsor a final accounting of the Public Sponsor's share of Rehabilitation Effort costs.

1. In the event the total contribution by the Public Sponsor is less than the Public Sponsor's required share of total Rehabilitation Effort costs, the Public Sponsor shall, no later than 90 calendar days after receipt of written notice, make a cash payment to the Government of whatever sum is required to meet the Public Sponsor's required share of Rehabilitation Effort costs.

2. In the event total contribution by the Public Sponsor is more than the Public Sponsor's required share of Rehabilitation Effort costs, the Government shall, no later than 90 calendar days after the final accounting is complete, subject to the availability of funds, return the excess to the Public Sponsor; however, the Public Sponsor shall not be entitled to any refund for in-kind services. In the event the existing funds are not available to repay the Public Sponsor for excess contributions provided, the Government shall seek such appropriations as are necessary to repay the Public Sponsor for excess contributions provided.

### **ARTICLE V - CREDITING OF IN-KIND SERVICES**

The Government has approved a credit for In-Kind Services, compatible with the Rehabilitation Effort, in the estimated amount of \$0.0 (zero dollars) for implementation of such services by the Public Sponsor. The affording of such credit shall be subject to an onsite inspection by the Government to verify that the work was accomplished in a satisfactory manner and is suitable for inclusion in the Rehabilitation Effort. The actual amount of such credit shall be subject to an audit conducted to determine reasonableness, allocability, and allowability of costs. The Government shall apply the credit amount toward any additional cash contribution required under this Agreement. The Public Sponsor shall not receive credit for any amount in excess of such additional cash contribution, nor shall the Public Sponsor be entitled to any reimbursement for any excess credit amount.

#### **ARTICLE VI – OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

A. After the District Commander or his representative has determined that construction of the Rehabilitation Effort is complete and provided the Public Sponsor with written notice of such determination, the Public Sponsor shall operate and maintain the Project, at no cost to the Government, in accordance with specific directions prescribed by the Government. B. The Public Sponsor hereby gives the Government a right to enter, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, upon land that the Public Sponsor owns or controls for access to the Project for the purposes of inspection, and, if necessary, for the purpose of completing, operating, and maintaining the Project. If an inspection shows the Public Sponsor for any reason is failing to fulfill the Public Sponsor's obligations under this Agreement without receiving prior written approval from the Government, the Government will send a written notice to the Public Sponsor. If, after 30 calendar days from receipt of such notice, the Public Sponsor continues to fail to perform, then the Government shall have the right to enter, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, upon lands the Public Sponsor owns or controls for access to the Project for the purposes of completing, operating, and maintaining the Project. No action by the Government shall operate to relieve the Public Sponsor of responsibility to meet the Public Sponsor obligations as set forth in this Agreement, or to preclude the Government from pursuing any other remedy at law or equity to assure faithful performance pursuant to this Agreement.

# **ARTICLE VII - FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS**

In the exercise of the Public Sponsor's rights and obligations hereunder, the Public Sponsor agrees to comply with all applicable Federal and state laws and regulations.

#### **ARTICLE VIII – RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES**

The Government and the Public Sponsor act in an independent capacity in the performance of their respective functions under this Agreement, and neither party is to be considered the officer, agent, nor employee of the other.

## **ARTICLE IX – OFFICIALS NOT TO BENEFIT**

No member of or delegate to the Congress, or resident commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom.

# **ARTICLE X - COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES**

The Public Sponsor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Public Sponsor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the Government shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability, or, in the Government's discretion, to add to the Agreement or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

## **ARTICLE XI - TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION**

If at any time the Public Sponsor fails to carry out its obligations under this Agreement, the District Commander shall terminate or suspend work on the Rehabilitation Effort, unless the District Commander determines that continuation of work on the Rehabilitation Effort is in the interest of the United States or is necessary in order to satisfy agreements with any other non-Federal interests in connection with this Rehabilitation Effort and Project. However, deferral of future performance under this agreement shall not affect existing obligations or relieve the parties of liability for any obligation previously incurred. In the event that either party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Article, both parties shall conclude their activities relating to the Rehabilitation Effort and proceed to a final accounting in accordance with Article IV of this Agreement. In the event that either party elects to defer future performance under this Agreement pursuant to this Article, such deferral shall remain in effect until such time as either the Government or Public Sponsor elects to proceed with further construction or terminates this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE XII - HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES**

A. After execution of this Agreement, the Government shall perform, or cause to be performed, such investigations for hazardous substances as are determined necessary by the Government to identify the existence and extent of any hazardous substances regulated under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Sections 9601-9675, on lands necessary to Rehabilitation Effort construction, operation, and maintenance.

B. In the event it is discovered through an investigation for hazardous substances or other means that any lands, easements, rights-of-way, or disposal areas to be acquired or provided for the Project or the Rehabilitation Effort contain any hazardous substances regulated under CERCLA, the Public Sponsor and the Government shall provide prompt notice to each other, and the Public Sponsor shall not proceed with the acquisition of lands, easements, rights-of-way, or disposal areas until mutually agreed.

C. The Government and the Public Sponsor shall determine whether to initiate construction of the Rehabilitation Effort, or, if already in construction, to continue with construction of the Rehabilitation Effort, or to terminate construction of the Rehabilitation Effort for the convenience of the Government in any case where hazardous substances regulated under CERCLA are found to exist on any lands necessary for the Rehabilitation Effort. Should the Government and the Public Sponsor determine to proceed or continue with the construction after considering any liability that may arise under CERCLA, the Public Sponsor shall be responsible, as between the Government and the Public Sponsor, for any and all necessary to determine an appropriate response to the contamination. Such costs shall not be considered a part of the total Rehabilitation Effort costs as defined in this Agreement. In the event the Public Sponsor fails to provide

any funds necessary to pay for clean up and response costs or to otherwise discharge the Public Sponsor's responsibilities under this paragraph upon direction by the Government, the Government may either terminate or suspend work on the Rehabilitation Effort or proceed with further work as provided in Article XI of this Agreement.

D. The Public Sponsor and Government shall consult with each other to assure that responsible parties bear any necessary clean up and response costs as defined in CERCLA. Any decision made pursuant to paragraph C of this Article shall not relieve any party from any liability that may arise under CERCLA.

E. As between the Government and the Public Sponsor, the Public Sponsor shall be considered the operator of the project (which the Rehabilitation Effort is repairing and restoring) for purposes of CERCLA liability. To the maximum extent practicable, the Public Sponsor shall operate and maintain the project in a manner that will not cause liability to arise under CERCLA.

## **ARTICLE XIII – NOTICES**

A. All notices, requests, demands, and other communications required or permitted to be given under this Amendment shall be deemed to have been duly given if in writing and delivered personally, given by prepaid telegram, or mailed by first-class (postage prepaid), registered, or certified mail, as follows:

#### If to the Public Sponsor:

Parish President Jefferson Parish Government 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd. Suite 1002 Harahan, Louisiana 70123

#### If to the Government:

District Commander U. S. Army Corps of Engineers P. O. Box 60267 New Orleans, Louisiana 70160-0267

B. A party may change the address to which such communications are to be directed by giving written notice to the other party in the manner provided in this Article.

C. Any notice, request, demand, or other communication made pursuant to this Article shall be deemed to have been received by the addressee at such time as it is either personally delivered, or, seven calendar days after it is mailed, as the case may be. **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, which shall become effective upon the date it is signed by the District Commander.

FEDERAL SPONSOR:

PUBLIC SPONSOR:

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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PARISH OF JEFFERSON, LOUISIANA

BY: BY: Richard P. Wagenaar John F. Young, Jr. Colonel, Corps of Engineers District Commander Council Chairman 2 Date: 5-5-06 Date:

## CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

PARISH OF JEFFERSON, LOUISIANA

John F. Young, Jr. Council Chairman

DATE: 5-5-06

## CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

I, <u>Tom WILKINSON</u>, do hereby certify that I am a legal officer of the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana, that the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana is a legally constituted public body with full authority and legal capability to perform the terms of the Agreement between the Department of the Army and the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana to pay damages in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, if necessary, in the event of the failure to perform, as required by Section 221 of Public Law 91-611 (42 U.S.C. Section 1962d-5b), and that the persons who have executed this Agreement on behalf of the Parish of Jefferson, Louisiana have acted within their statutory authority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have made and executed this certification this  $5^{\text{th}}$  day of May  $20^{\circ}$  la

Printed Name: TOM WILKINSON Attorney for Jefferson Parish, Louisiana On motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Capella, following resolution was offered:

# RESOLUTION NO. 105352

A resolution authorizing entering into a Cooperation Agreement with the Department of the Army, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the restoration and rehabilitation of federal flood control works, and providing for other related matters. (Parishwide)

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Department of Defense, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act to Address Hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico and Pandemic Influenza, 2006, Public Law 109-148, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers is authorized to repair, restore or rehabilitate hood damage reduction and hurricane and storm damage reduction projects, and related works, at full federal expense; and

**WHEREAS**, Jefferson Parish has requested and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has agreed to repair, restore and rehabilitate the following damaged federal pump stations: Elmwood, Suburban, and Whitney-Barataria;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Jefferson Parish Council of Jefferson Parish, Louisiana acting as governing authority of said Parish:

**SECTION 1.** That entering into the attached Cooperation Agreement with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers for the restoration and rehabilitation of federal flood control works, at full federal expense, is hereby authorized.

**SECTION 2.** That the Chairman of the Jefferson Parish Council or, in his absence, the Vice-Chairman is authorized to sign, execute and approve any and all documents necessary to give full force and effect to this resolution.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: 7 NAYS: None ABSENT: None The resolution was declared to be adopted this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2006.

> THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE & CORRECT COPY

EULA A. LOPEZ

PARISH CLERK JEFFERSON PARISH COUNCIL