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Mr. David Day
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AI No.: 100781
Activity No.: CER20230001

RE: USACE, NOD – St. Tammany Parish Louisiana Feasibility Study
Water Quality Certification WQC 230516-01
St. Tammany Parish

Dear Mr. Day:

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Water Permits Division (LDEQ), has reviewed the application to clear, grade, excavate, and place fill for the construction of a levee and floodwall system along an alignment in South and West Slidell and channelization of a portion of the Mile Branch in Covington. The West Slidell levee and floodwall system consists of approximately 18.4 miles of levee and floodwall, with approximately 15 miles of levee constructed in separate segments, and 3.4 miles of separate segments of floodwall. All work will occur in St. Tammany Parish.

The information provided in the application and the additional information received June 2, 2023, has been reviewed in terms of compliance with State Water Quality Standards, the approved Water Quality Management Plan and applicable state water laws, rules and regulations. LDEQ determined that the requirements for a Water Quality Certification have been met. LDEQ concludes that the deposit of spoil will not violate water quality standards as provided for in LAC 33:IX.Chapter 11. Therefore, LDEQ hereby issues USACE, NOD – St. Tammany Parish Louisiana Feasibility Study Water Quality Certification, WQC 230516-01.

Should you have any questions concerning any part of this certification, please contact Elizabeth Hill at (225) 219-3225 or by email at elizabeth.hill@la.gov. Please reference Agency Interest (AI) number 100781 and Water Quality Certification 230516-01 on all future correspondence to this Department to ensure all correspondence regarding this project is properly filed into the Department's Electronic Document Management System.

Sincerely,

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Water Permits Division

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