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Mr. Garret Graves
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Dear Mr. Graves:

You are hereby informed that the contract for the West Bank and Vicinity (WBV), Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System, WBV-72, Western Tie-In East-West Levee (W912P8-10-C-0062) in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana, has been completed. This project was completed pursuant to Public Law 109-234 (under the Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies heading, Chapter 3, Title II) and Public Law 110-252 (under the Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies heading, Chapter 3, Title III).

A final inspection of the project was conducted on November 1, 2012, 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. Additionally, Volume 3 documentation for WBV-72, included with this letter, will provide specific 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 Enclosure 2
- c. Final inspection attendance roster Enclosure 3
- d. Volume 3 documentation for WBV-72 Enclosure 4

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 levee and was obtained within 60 days of the date of this letter. The survey data reflects the elevations of the levee are above the elevations required to provide a 100-year level of risk reduction in 2012. The levees were constructed with overbuild to allow for the natural occurrence of settlement and subsidence. The amount of settlement and subsidence that has occurred since the time of construction is within allowable tolerances based on site specific settlement curves.

In accordance with the Project Partnership Agreement between the Department of the Army and CPRA (now known as CPRAB) dated November 6, 2008, CPRAB shall undertake the OMRR&R of this completed project feature of the West Bank and Vicinity, Hurricane and Storm Damage Risk Reduction System in St. Charles 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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District Engineer

**Enclosures** 

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