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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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Department of the Army- Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District  
P.O. Box 60267  
New Orleans, LA 70160

Attn: Stephen Pfeffer

RE: Water Quality Certification (WQC 120223-01/AI 149056/CER 20120001)  
2012 Nationwide Permit Reissuance  
State of Louisiana

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (the Department) has reviewed the Corps' Reissuance of Nationwide Permits, as published in the Federal Register, Volume 77, Number 34, dated Tuesday 21, 2012. The Department has no objection to the reissuance and/or modification of the following existing Nationwide Permits (NWP's):

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|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| NWP-3  | NWP-17 | NWP-31 | NWP-43 |
| NWP-4  | NWP-18 | NWP-32 | NWP-44 |
| NWP-5  | NWP-19 | NWP-33 | NWP-45 |
| NWP-6  | NWP-20 | NWP-34 | NWP-47 |
| NWP-7  | NWP-21 | NWP-36 | NWP-48 |
| NWP-12 | NWP-22 | NWP-37 | NWP-49 |
| NWP-13 | NWP-23 | NWP-38 | NWP-50 |
| NWP-14 | NWP-25 | NWP-40 |        |
| NWP-15 | NWP-27 | NWP-41 |        |
| NWP-16 | NWP-30 | NWP-42 |        |

The Department has no objection to the issuance of the following proposed NWP's:

NWP-51                      NWP-52

The Department has no objection to all proposed additions and modifications to general conditions and definitions of NWP's. Also, the Department does not require the Corps to apply specific regional conditions to any of the NWP's mentioned above.

The Department has denied 401 Water Quality Certification to the reissuance and/or modification of the following NWP's:

NWP-29

NWP-39

Based on the information provided in your application, it is the opinion of the Department that the Nationwide Permits NWP-29 & NWP-39 could have potential adverse effects on water quality or fail to comply with State water quality standards as provided for under LAC 33:IX.Chapter 11, and should be considered for certification on a case-by-case basis. Therefore, certification for these NWP's is denied. In accordance with LAC 33: IX 1507.E.2, you may, within 10 days of the receipt of this letter, request a public hearing on this matter.

If you have any questions, please call Jamie Phillippe at 225-219-3225.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melvin C. Mitchell, Sr.', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Melvin C. Mitchell, Sr.  
Administrator  
Water Permits Division

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