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Attention: Brenda A. Archer

AI No.: 149056
WQC 160629-02
Activity No.: CER20160001

RE: Water Quality Certification WQC 160629-02 *CORRECTED*
2017 Nationwide Permit Reissuance
State of Louisiana

Dear Mr. Mayer:

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, Office of Environmental Services (LDEQ), provides with this correspondence clarification of the water quality certification approval and reissuance of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Nationwide Permits (NWP), general conditions, and definitions with some modification in the *Federal Register* (Vol. 82 No. 4) as published January 6, 2017. The 2017 NWP are in effect as of March 19, 2017. The publication of the final NWP in the *Federal Register* serves as the Corps application for water quality certification (WQC) under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act for those NWP that will result in a discharge in the State of Louisiana.

LDEQ has reviewed the Corps' Reissuance of Nationwide Permits, as published in the referenced *Federal Register* and issues WQC 160629-02 with the attached Nationwide Permit (NWP) Regional Conditions, February 2017 for the following NWP:

NWP 3	NWP 18	NWP 33	NWP 46
NWP 4	NWP 19	NWP 34	NWP 48
NWP 5	NWP 20	NWP 36	NWP 49
NWP 6	NWP 21	NWP 37	NWP 50
NWP 7	NWP 22	NWP 38	NWP 51
NWP 12	NWP 23	NWP 40	NWP 52
NWP 13	NWP 25	NWP 41	NWP 53
NWP 14	NWP 27	NWP 42	NWP 54
NWP 15	NWP 30	NWP 43	
NWP 16	NWP 31	NWP 44	
NWP 17	NWP 32	NWP 45	

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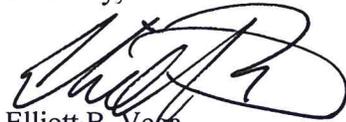
LDEQ denies 401 Water Quality Certification to the reissuance of NWP 29 except those associated with construction or expansion of a single residence pursuant to the attached State of Louisiana Nationwide Permit Regional Conditions.

LDEQ has denied 401 Water Quality Certification to the reissuance of NWP 39.

Based on the information provided in the application, it is the opinion of LDEQ that the Nationwide Permit NWP 39 could have potential adverse effects on water quality or fail to comply with State water quality standards as provided for in LAC 33:IX. Chapter 11, and should be considered for certification on a case-by-case basis. Therefore, certification for this NWP is denied.

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 149056 and Water Quality Certification 160629-02 on all future correspondence to this Department to ensure all correspondence regarding this subject is properly filed into the Department's Electronic Document Management System.

Sincerely,



Elliott B. Vega
Assistant Secretary

Attachment

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