1. Reference is made to our CMT 4 of 11 Jan 83 (Incl 1), to your office concerning the subject permit.

2. In an effort to expedite the review process, this office has been working directly with the S&WB and their AE, Modjeski and Masters, to resolve our comments presented in the referenced DF.

3. To date, all technical comments have been resolved (para. 2b thru 2f) and only our comment in para. 2a, concerning the gap at Veterans Hwy., needs to be addressed. Recently a test section was completed for the S&WB and a report provided (Incl 2) by Modjeski and Masters which satisfied our comment in para. 2b concerning uplift pressures. Resolving this comment has been the reason for much of the delay and a letter is being sent by this office to the S&WB with our review comments of the test section report. At Veterans Hwy., the S&WB must still address their plan of action to prevent overflow as a result of this crossing being below the resulting flow line plus free board.

4. As soon as this final comment is resolved, we will notify your office concerning our "no objection" to the permit. However, this "no objection" should not indicate to the applicant that any credits for this work would be applicable to the Lake Pontchartrain, La. and Vicinity Hurricane Protection plan.