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TO: Commander, New Orleans District, ATTN: LMNED-S

Your course of action outlined in para 6 of the basic letter is approved subject to the following comments:

- a. Para 6b. We concur in general with this position; however, you should conscientiously review your flood control works and structures to ensure there are no exceptions that should be individually analyzed with an independent decision made on the specifics of that case.
- b. Para 6c. While we agree in general with the rationale presented, the net result would be that there will be further disparity among levee grades, flowlines, and floodway operations. Therefore, the project design flowline of the Mississippi River and Tributaries Project should be adjusted within the affected areas to maintain comparability among the above elements.
- c. Para 6f. Consideration should be given to reanalyzing and modifying (if nee!ed) hurricane protection work in high density urban areas where the datum changes will drastically reduce the level of protection.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

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