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Johnny Gonzales
GOHSEP PAO
FEMA-1603-DR-LA
415 N. 15th Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

RE: Categorical Exclusion, Repair and improvements to the LSU School of Dentistry Clinical Building BLDG# 10551/Facility Planning and Control, Orleans Parish, Louisiana, PW#: 11043, DR-1603-LA, PA ID: 000-UXL4N-00.

Dear Mr. Gonzales:

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Public Assistance project for the LSU School of Dentistry Building BLDG# 10551/Facility Planning and Control, 1100 Florida Ave., New Orleans, Louisiana, Orleans Parish, 70119, (29.99173N, 90.08409W), has been cleared under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The Code of Federal Regulations, 44 CFR Part 10, requires that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) take into account environmental considerations when authorizing or approving major actions. This project has been determined to be categorically excluded in accordance with 44 CFR Part 10.8(d)(2)(xv), from the need to prepare either an Environmental Impact Statement or Environmental Assessment. No extraordinary circumstances in accordance with 44 CFR 10.8(d)(3) have been identified regarding this action. The Categorical Exclusion is attached. Particular attention should be given to the general comments and conditions before and during project implementation. Failure to comply with these conditions may jeopardize federal assistance including funding.

The following conditions apply to this project:

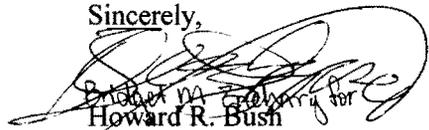
- This project is located within the Louisiana Coastal Management Zone. LA DNR has determined that receipt of federal assistance is consistent with the Louisiana Coastal Resource Program. Projects within the Coastal Zone may still require a coastal permit or other authorization from DNR. Projects may be coordinated by contacting LA DNR at 1-800-276-4019.
- This project involves the demolition or renovation of a public structure. Regardless of the asbestos content, the applicant is responsible for ensuring that renovation or demolition activities are coordinated with the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) in accordance with the LDEQ "Seventh Amended Declaration of Emergency and Administrative Order" dated August 24, 2006, incorporating the provisions of EPA's National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), Louisiana Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (LESHAP) and the Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) 33.III.5151 and Chapter 27. Should Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs) be present at the project site, the applicant is also responsible for ensuring proper disposal in accordance with the previously referenced administrative order. Documentation should be forwarded to GOHSEP or The Governor's Office of Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness and Federal Emergency Management Agency for inclusion in the permanent project files.
- Unusable equipment, debris and material shall be disposed of in an approved manner and location. In the event significant items (or evidence thereof) are discovered during implementation of the project applicant shall handle, manage, and dispose of the petroleum products, hazardous materials and/or toxic waste in accordance to the requirements and to the satisfaction of the governing local,

state and federal agencies. Documentation should be forwarded to GOHSEP or The Governor's Office of Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness and Federal Emergency Management Agency for inclusion in the permanent project file.

- The applicant is responsible for obtaining and/or complying with all federal, state, and local permits, ordinances and/or requirements for the collection, handling, storage, transportation and disposal of any medical, hazardous, biological, laboratory/research reagents, radiological, pharmaceutical or toxic flood related debris. Applicants are required to self certify and must maintain all records as part of their permanent project file. Documentation should be forwarded to GOHSEP or The Governor's Office of Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness and Federal Emergency Management Agency for inclusion in the permanent project file.
- In accordance with the Formosan Termite Initiative Act, (LA R.S. 3:3391.1 THRU 3391.13) the Louisiana parishes of Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Orleans, Jefferson, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington are under quarantine. The movement of wood or cellulose material, Temporary housing or architectural components (e.g. beams, doors and other wood salvaged from a structure) may not leave the quarantined parishes without written authorization from the commissioner of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry or his designee(s).

Please note that this transmittal is a notification that this project has been cleared under NEPA only. **This is not a notice of final approval or eligibility.** Any change beyond the approval scope of work for this project will require additional environmental review by FEMA.

Sincerely,



Howard R. Bush
Environmental Liaison Officer
FEMA-1603/1607-DR-LA

Enclosures: Project Worksheet # 11043

Cc: Oliver Mack, FEMA DPAO for Grants