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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDER, Mississippi Valley Division (CEMVD-PD)

SUBJECT: Implementation Guidance for Section 6004(a)(7) of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (WRRDA 2014) - Deauthorizations, Port of Iberia, Louisiana.

1. Section 6004(a)(7) of WRRDA 2014 modifies the project for Port of Iberia, Louisiana, authorized by section 1001(25) of WRDA 2007, by eliminating the requirement imposed by section 1001(25) to use available dredged material and rock placement on the south bank of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and the west bank of Freshwater Bayou Channel to provide incidental storm surge protection for Vermilion and Iberia Parishes, Louisiana. A copy of section 6004(a)(7) of WRRDA 2014 is enclosed, as well as a copy of the original section 1001(25) of WRDA 2007, and a copy of section 1001(25) as amended by section 6004(a)(7).
2. At such time that funds are available, a limited reevaluation report (Validation Report) will be prepared to reaffirm the project's economic justification and environmental compliance. The Validation Report should provide an evaluation of the least cost method of disposal of dredged material; update project cost; verify environmental compliance; provide an economic update consistent with a Level 3 economic reevaluation, and reaffirm non-federal sponsor support for the project. The Validation Report will be processed to the MVD-RIT for coordination with the Assistant Secretary of the Army Civil Works to obtain the Administration's position on the project.
3. No work shall be undertaken to implement construction of the Port of Iberia, Louisiana project until an Administration position is established supporting the revised project and funds are available, or Congress provides construction funds specifically to commence such work.

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SECTION 6004(a) OF WRRDA 2014

Section 6004(a)(7) PORT OF IBERIA, LOUISIANA.-Section 1001(25) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (121 Stat. 1053) is amended by striking "; except that" and all that follows before the period at the end.

SECTION 1001(25) OF WRDA 2007

(25) PORT OF IBERIA, LOUISIANA.—The project for navigation, Port of Iberia, Louisiana: Report of the Chief of Engineers dated December 31, 2006, at a total cost of \$131,250,000, with an estimated Federal cost of \$105,315,000 and an estimated non-Federal cost of \$25,935,000; except that the Secretary, in consultation with Vermillion and Iberia Parishes, Louisiana, and consistent with the mitigation plan in the report, shall use available dredged material and rock placement on the south bank of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and the west bank of the Freshwater Bayou Channel to provide incidental storm surge protection that does not adversely affect the mitigation plan.

SECTION 1001(25) OF WRDA 2007 AS AMENDED BY SECTION 6004(a) OF WRRDA 2014

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