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Vivian Gerena Regulatory Division U.S. Army Corps of Engineers P.O. Box 4970 Jacksonville, FL 32232-0019

RE: Sale of Mitigation Credits from Sand Hill Lakes Mitigation Bank (SAJ-2002-5061 NW-DEB)

Dear Vivian,

This letter shall serve to fulfill the sponsor's obligations, detailed at 33 CFR 332.3(l)(3) and 332.8(p)(1), to notify the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers of the sale of federal credits from the Sand Hill Lakes Mitigation Bank (SHLMB). In support of this, the following information is provided, and a copy of the special condition of the Department of the Army (DOA) permit requiring the credit purchase is attached:

- Project Name: SR 79 from south of Cypress Springs Road to north of Cypress Creek
 - DOA Permit #: SAJ-2012-03021 SP-AWP, Special Condition #5, issued 3/7/2013
- Number of Credits: 1.31
- Type of Credits: Palustrine Forested Wetlands

The federal credits noted above have been paid in full and we have deducted them from the Federal ledger for SHLMB. By action of this sale, the sponsor for the SHLMB accepts responsibility for providing the compensatory mitigation required by Special Condition #5 of the DOA permit noted above. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at 850-539-5999

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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parties, and considerations of the public interest, the Corps may modify, suspend or revoke the permit in accordance with 33 CFR Part 325.7. Such activity shall not resume without written authorization from the State Archeologist and from the Corps.

5. **Mitigation Credit Purchase:** Within 30 days from the date of initiating the authorized work the Permittee shall provide verification to the Corps that 1.31 palustrine forested federal mitigation bank credits have been purchased from the Sand Hill Lakes Mitigation Bank (SAJ-2002-05061). The required verification shall reference this project's permit number (SAJ-2012-03021). Note: The credit deduction takes into account the conversion from Wetland Rapid Assessment Procedure to Uniform Mitigation Assessment Method.

6. **Eastern Indigo Snake Protection Measures:** The Permittee shall comply with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's "Standard Protection Measures for the Eastern Indigo Snake" dated February 12, 2004 and provided in Attachment 3 of this permit."

7. **Fill Material**: The Permittee shall use only clean fill material for this project. The fill material shall be free from items such as trash, debris, automotive parts, asphalt, construction materials, concrete block with exposed reinforcement bars, and soils contaminated with any toxic substance, in toxic amounts in accordance with Section 307 of the Clean Water Act.

8. **Temporary Wetland Impacts:** Within 30 days from the date of completing the authorized work the Permittee shall restore 0.894 acre of temporary wetland impacts to pre-existing contours, elevations, vegetation, habitat type, and hydrology.

9. **Regulatory Agency Changes**: Should any other regulatory agency require changes to the work authorized or obligated by this permit, the Permittee is advised that a modification to this permit instrument is required prior to initiation of those changes. It is the Permittee's responsibility to request a modification of this permit from the Cocoa Regulatory Office.

10. As-Builts: Within 60 days of completion of the authorized work or at the expiration of the construction authorization of this permit, whichever occurs first, the Permittee shall submit asbuilt drawings of the authorized work and a completed As-Built Certification Form (Attachment 4) to the Corps. The drawings shall be signed and sealed by a registered professional engineer and include the following:

a. A plan view drawing of the location of the authorized work footprint (as shown on the permit drawings) with an overlay of the work as constructed in the same scale as the attached permit drawings ($8\frac{1}{2}$ -inch by 11-inch). The drawing should show all "earth disturbance," including wetland impacts, water management structures, and any on-site mitigation areas.

b. List any deviations between the work authorized by this permit and the work as constructed. In the event that the completed work deviates, in any manner, from the authorized