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Honorable Robert Portman
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503-0008

Dear Mr. Portman:

In accordance with Executive Order 12322, I am submitting for your review, the Mississippi Coastal Improvements Program for Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson Counties, Mississippi – Interim Report, August 2006. The enclosed draft letters to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate express the views and recommendations of the Secretary of the Army.

The proposal is described in the report of the Chief of Engineers, dated December 31, 2006. A copy of the report and other supporting data are enclosed. This interim report addresses priority work in the Coastal Mississippi area resulting from the hurricanes of 2005 and is in partial response to authority contained in the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2006, dated December 30, 2005. A comprehensive report for the remaining elements in response to this Act will be the subject of a future report of the Chief of Engineers. Please advise this office whether the recommendations to implement the project are consistent with Administration policy.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Paul Woodley, Jr." in a cursive script.

John Paul Woodley, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of the Army
(Civil Works)

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