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Ms. Sandy Rosenthal
Founder and Executive Director
Levees.org
1421 Soniat Street
New Orleans, LA 70115

RE: Inner Harbor Navigation Canal and 17th Street Canal
Levee Breach Sites, Orleans Parish, LA

Dear Ms. Rosenthal:

Thank you for suggesting the possibility of nominating the locations of the two most devastating New Orleans levee breaks to the National Register of Historic Places. Although it is very difficult to list sites associated with events as recent as the 2005 Katrina flood, the Louisiana Division of Historic Preservation believes the sites to meet the Register's eligibility requirements for exceptional significance. This letter will confirm that we have received the first drafts of the nomination documents needed for the project.

Although we will do everything possible to assist you with the listing process, please understand that we can make no promises. Our role is to recommend whether a property should be presented to the State Review Committee. The final decision lies with this Committee and, ultimately, with the National Park Service in Washington, D. C.

We look forward to working with you on this most important project.

Sincerely,

Nicole Hobson-Morris
Director, Historic Preservation and
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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