

Dear Ms. Hemphill:

Thank you for your attendance and presentations before the Mississippi River Commission during the public meetings held in Helena, Arkansas, and Vicksburg, Mississippi, on April 3 and 4, 2001, respectively.

The Commission recognizes and appreciates the efforts of your levee board in obtaining additional funding for the Mississippi River and Tributaries project. Although the project is 87 percent complete, timely completion of the remaining 13 percent is necessary to ensure that the project functions properly and can accommodate the project design flood.

Congratulations on your new position with the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta Levee Board. The Commission looks forward to working with you and other members of your board in the future.

Thank you again for your comments before the Commission. We appreciate receiving your views and will be pleased to hear from you at our future public meetings.

Sincerely,

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