

Dear Mr. Hulshof:

Thank you for the statement made on your behalf by Mr. Chris Haddox before the Mississippi River Commission during the public meeting held in St. Louis, Missouri, on August 15, 2003. In your statement you addressed the major rehabilitation of Lock and Dam 24.

The Commission appreciates the support that you have provided in maintaining the ongoing effort of major rehabilitation of the infrastructure associated with the operation and maintenance of the 9-foot navigation channel, specifically your interest in Lock and Dam 24. The \$35 million concrete rehabilitation contract is scheduled for completion following three successive winter closures. The St. Louis District will continue the lock wall concrete rehabilitation and initiate plans and specifications for the next phase of construction during Fiscal Year 2004.

The Commission appreciates receiving your comments and will be pleased to hear from you at our future public meetings.

Sincerely,

Don T. Riley
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River Commission