

Dear Mr. Wathen:

Thank you for your presentation before the Mississippi River Commission during the public meeting held in Tiptonville, Tennessee, on August 18, 2003. You provided testimony in support of the Lower Mississippi River Resource Assessment (LMRRA) and the Lower Obion Section 1135 project.

The Commission recognizes your continued support for the LMRRA authorized in Section 402 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000.

The Commission also recognizes your support of the Lower Obion Section 1135 Ecosystem Restoration project. The project report is under review at the Mississippi Valley Division; however, the report cannot be approved until negotiation of the Project Cooperation Agreement is completed with your agency. Memphis District will continue to work with you and your staff on this item.

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

Sincerely,

Don T. Riley  
Brigadier General, U.S. Army  
President Designee, Mississippi  
River Commission