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ATTENTION OF:

## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS

P.O. BOX 80

VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI 39181-0080

April 13, 2004

Executive Office

Dear Mississippi River Friend:

Please find enclosed a registration package for the Mississippi River Partnering Conference being held in Memphis, Tennessee, on June 28-29, 2004. The Mississippi Valley Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is hosting the conference. We are excited about the conference and the opportunity that it provides for all interested in the Mississippi River--from Lake Itasca to the Gulf of Mexico--to get acquainted and participate in discussions about the "greatest living and working watershed." We are also pleased to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Mississippi River Commission and invite you to join in the festivities by attending the banquet on Monday evening, June 28, 2004.

The objectives of the conference are to build effective partnerships, develop common guidelines for a living, working watershed, and to provide understanding of the USACE transformation.

Please complete and return the registration form along with your payment made out to "MRPC" by June 11, 2004. The registration fee for the conference is \$65 and the cost for the banquet is \$65 per person. A spouses event is planned which includes viewing the ducks in the lobby of the Peabody, lunch, and a visit to the Wonders Exhibit (Masters of Florence: Glory and Genius at the Court of the Medici). The cost of this event is \$25 and is included on the registration form.

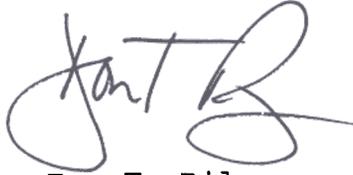
Sign in and pick up of completed registration packets will be between 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 27, 2004, at the Peabody Hotel and again at 7:00 a.m. on June 28, 2004. A continental breakfast will be available both mornings of the

meeting. Information on the conference is available on the Mississippi Valley Division web site [www.mvd.usace.army.mil](http://www.mvd.usace.army.mil)

I look forward to seeing you in Memphis.

*Thanks for  
your  
partnership!*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don T. Riley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "R".

Don T. Riley  
Brigadier General, U.S. Army  
Division Engineer

Enclosure