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May 20, 2004

Mr. Gregory J. Thorpe, Ph.D., Manager,
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Dear Dr. Thorpe:

Subject: US 74 Relocation (Maxton Bypass), R-513, Robeson County

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Ecosystem Enhancement Program (EEP) will provide compensation for the subject project. Based on the information supplied by you in a letter dated April 30, 2004, the impacts are located in CU 03040203 of the Lumber River Basin in the Southern Inner Coastal Plain Eco-Region, and are as follows:

Wetland Impacts: 5.53 acres Riverine; 48.59 acres Non-Riverine
Stream Impacts: 8,192 feet

As stated in your letter, the subject project is listed in Exhibit 2 of the Memorandum of Agreement among the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District dated July 22, 2003. The ecosystem enhancement for the subject project will be provided in accordance with Section IX, EEP Transition Period, of this agreement.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Beth Harmon at 919-715-1929.

Sincerely,

William D. Gilmore, P.E.
Transition Manager

cc: Richard Spencer, USACE-Raleigh
John Hennessy, Division of Water Quality, Wetlands/401 Unit
File: R-513

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Mr. Richard Spencer
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Post Office Box 1890
Wilmington, NC 28403

Dear Mr. Spencer:

Subject: US 74 Relocation (Maxton Bypass), R-513, Robeson County, Southern Inner Coastal Plain Eco-Region

The purpose of this letter is to notify you that the Ecosystem Enhancement Program (EEP) proposes to provide preservation to compensate for the unavoidable 5.53 acres of riverine wetland, 48.59 acres of non-riverine wetland, and 8,192 feet of stream impacts of the subject project in the following manner:

Wetland Preservation (10:1) in same eco-region (5,412 acres)
Great Coharie Site, Sampson County

Stream Preservation (10:1) in same eco-region (81,920 feet)
Great Coharie Site, Sampson County

The subject TIP project is listed in Exhibit 2 of the Memorandum of Agreement among the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District dated July 22, 2003. The ecosystem enhancement for the project will be provided in accordance with Section IX, EEP Transition Period, of the Agreement.

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