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Mr. Terry B. Trahan
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Subject: Pre-Application for Existing Dam
Highland Homeowners Association Dam Nos. 1-4
St. Tammany Parish

Dear Mr. Trahan,

In response to your e-mail dated November 3, 2008, please be advised that the DOTD Dam Safety Unit has received and reviewed the Pre-Application for the above-referenced dam(s). Your application is currently deemed incomplete and a completed application for each dam must be submitted.

Based on the surface areas of the reservoirs, the DOTD believes that at least two of the dams fall under the jurisdiction of LA Dam Safety Program and possibly all four. Once the applications have been completed and approved by DOTD, a dam identification number will be assigned, and a breach analysis must be performed to identify the impacts downstream of the dam(s). A dam safety hazard classification will then be determined by DOTD and the inspection period(s) established.

We would like to schedule a meeting in our office with you and your consultant engineer to set the dam breach analysis parameters and the design guidelines. Please contact me at your earliest convenience to set the time and date. In addition, it is required that all design work be performed by a professional civil engineer(s), registered by the Louisiana State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

If you should have any questions, or if we may be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (225) 274-4321 or Mr. Brian Kendrick, P.E., Dam Safety Engineer at (225) 274-4185.

Sincerely,

Elnur Musa, P.E.
Dam Safety & Water Resources Engineer

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