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November 14, 2008

Ms. Veronica White
Director, Department of Sanitation
City of New Orleans
1300 Perdido Street, Room 2E04
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

SUBJECT: City of New Orleans Debris Management Plan

Dear Ms. White:

This letter is to inform you that FEMA has approved the City of New Orleans Debris Management Plan, thereby allowing the City to participate in the Increased Federal Share Incentive component of the Public Assistance (PA) Pilot Program.

Please note that the City may also be eligible to participate in the other three (3) components of the PA Pilot Program. Additional guidance on the PA Pilot Program is available in FEMA 598 and at <http://www.fema.gov/government/policy/papilot.shtm>.

If you need to discuss this further, please feel free to contact me directly at (225) 573-0027 or e-mail at mriley@ohsep.louisiana.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark S. Riley".

Mark S. Riley
State Coordinating Officer
Assistant Deputy Director, Disaster Recovery

Enclosure: 1. FEMA letter of Approval
2. PA Pilot Program Increased Federal share Incentive Checklist

Cc: Dr. Edward Blakely, Executive Director, City of New Orleans Office of Recovery & Development

Cynthia Sylvain-Lear, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, City of New Orleans

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FEMA

November 4, 2008

Mark S. Riley
State Coordinating Officer
DR-1786 & 1792
State of Louisiana
415 North 15th Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70802

Re: City of New Orleans Debris Management Plan

Dear Mr. Riley:

The purpose of this letter is to approve the City of New Orleans (Applicant) debris management plan, therefore allowing the Department to participate in the Increased Federal Share Incentive component of the Public Assistance (PA) Pilot Program.

In order for an Applicant to qualify for an additional five (5) percent Federal cost share under the PA Pilot Program, the Applicant must have adopted a debris management plan prior to the disaster declaration that satisfies FEMA's debris management plan criteria. Additionally, the Applicant must have pre-qualified two (2) or more debris and wreckage contractors before the date of declaration of the major disaster. An Applicant may submit the debris management plan to FEMA for approval either prior to the disaster declaration or once the disaster is declared. The approval of a debris management plan is based on satisfying the thirteen (13) criteria listed in the PA Pilot Program's Increased Federal Share Incentive Checklist (attached), as included in the *Public Assistance Pilot Program Guidance*, FEMA 598/June 2007.

FEMA has reviewed the debris management plan submitted by the City of New Orleans and determined that the Department plan meets the criteria outlined on the attached checklist. The City of New Orleans is eligible for an additional five (5) percent Federal cost share under the Increased Federal Share component of the PA Pilot Program.

Colonel Kirkpatrick
November 4, 2008
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Please note that the Applicant may also be eligible to participate in the other three (3) components of the PA Pilot Program. Additional guidance on the PA Pilot Program is available in FEMA 598 and at <http://www.fema.gov/government/policy/papilot.shtm>.

Sincerely,



Jim Stark
Director
Louisiana Transitional Recovery Office

cc: Dr. Edward Blakely, Executive Director of the New Orleans' Office of Recovery and Development Administration, State of Louisiana

Cynthia Sylvain-Lear, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana



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**Public Assistance Pilot Program
Increased Federal Share Incentive Checklist**

Applicant City of New Orleans
FEMA-1786-DR-LA and FEMA-1792-LA

Yes

No

Debris Management Plan

- Does the plan outline the roles and responsibilities of the various functions identified (Public Works, Finance, and Solid Waste Departments, etc.)?
 - Does the plan address health and safety procedures in accordance with State/Local health and safety standards/requirements?
 - Does the plan identify procedures for acquiring required regulatory permits?
 - Does the plan address the basis for planning which include assumptions for various events and forecasting/modeling for debris volumes?
 - Does the plan include priorities for the clearance, collection, and disposal of debris?
 - Does the plan address recycling?
 - Is there a process for the collection and disposal of hazardous waste and/or white goods?
 - Does the plan address debris monitoring of the pickup sites, Debris Management Sites (DMS) or Temporary Debris Storage and Reduction Sites (TDSR) and final disposal?
 - Does the plan identify DMS' or TDSRs' and potential landfills for final disposal to include operation and site management procedures and staffing?
 - Does the plan address the environmental requirements?
 - Does the plan address contracting/procurement procedures?
 - Does the plan address the authority and processes for private property debris removal?
 - Does the plan address the dissemination of information to the general public and media?
- List of Pre-qualified contractors**
- Does the applicant have a list of pre-qualified contractors?
 - Does the applicant have documentation demonstrating how the list was obtained?

Approved X Disapproved _____

Signature _____ Date 11/4/08