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Reference: DOJ Case No. 90-5-1-4032

Re: *United States v. Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans*
Modified Consent Decree: Civil Action No. 93-3212
Paragraph 57: Annual Report for the Period Ending December 31, 2011

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Paragraph 57 of the above-referenced Modified Consent Decree ("Decree"), the Sewerage and Water Board ("Board") hereby submits the Annual Report for the period ending December 31, 2011. For 2011, the Board was in compliance with the provisions of the Decree which this report is required to address. As required by the Decree, the report contains summaries of compliance with any activities related to:

- Paragraph 57a - Sewer Overflow Action Plan Activities/Unauthorized Discharge Tracking and Reporting Plan (Modified Consent Decree Sections XIII and XIV)

- Paragraph 57b - Preventive Maintenance Plan Activities (Modified Consent Decree Section XII);

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- Paragraph 57c - Storm Sewer Monitoring Program Activities (Modified Consent Decree Section XVI);

- Paragraph 57d – One-hundred Year Flood Protection (Modified Consent Decree Section XIX); and

- Paragraph 57e – Population Changes and Projections (Modified Consent Decree Section XIX).

The report also contains an Executive Summary that provides a synopsis of the Board's compliance with the Decree requirements under the Sewer Overflow Action Plan, the Preventive Maintenance Plan, Storm Sewer Monitoring Program, One-hundred Year Flood Protection, and Population Changes and Projections. Additional information and documentation is provided in the Appendices section of the attached report.

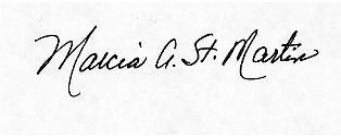
The reports also includes a number of appendices that describe work completed for calendar year 2011, as well as a description of our cumulative work with respect to sewer main cleaning, sewer main inspection, and sewer manhole inspection. Appendix 31 contains a listing of all accomplishments since the lodging of the Modified Consent Decree. Appendix 30 contains a listing of all accomplishments from the inception of the Decree through the lodging of the Modified Decree.

For 2011, the Board did not make any changes to the Modified Sewer Overflow Action Plan or the Modified Preventive Maintenance Plan.

I certify that the information contained in or accompanying this document is true, accurate and complete. As to those identified portions of this document for which I cannot personally verify their truth and accuracy, I certify as the official having supervisory responsibility for the persons who, acting under my direct instructions, made the verification, that this is true, accurate and complete.

The continuing cooperation and assistance of EPA and many of its personnel in this difficult time for the people of New Orleans and our Agency is very important to our progress and very much appreciated. We look forward to discussing this report at our meeting in Dallas on March 8, 2012.

Sincerely,



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