Section VII
EPA/LDEQ Coordination

SECOND MODIFIED CONSENT DECREE SECTION XXVII, PARAGRAPH 101 EPA/LDEQ COORDINATION (RMAP/MS4 PERMIT)

Paragraph 101. This paragraph requires the Board to consult with EPA and LDEQ to ensure, to the maximum extent possible, that the RMAP work is consistent with the requirements of the Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Fecal Coliform Bacteria and Dissolved Oxygen for Selected Subsegments in the Lake Pontchartrain Basin and the Board's MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) discharge permit. The Board will include a summary and description of any such discussions in its Quarterly and Annual Reports.

Work Accomplished

- On May 6-9, 2013, Environmental Affairs Department met with Diana McDonald, USEPA Region 6, and audit contractors to conduct a storm water audit of the Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans MS4 permit. The audit included discussion of the current MS4 permit which included analyses of outfalls for Fecal Coliform Bacteria and discussion of compliance with the Second Modified Consent Decree in relation to the MS4 permit.

- On May 7, 2013, members of the executive staff and the Environmental Affairs Department of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans attended public hearing concerning the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) with Orleans Parish Draft Water Discharge Permit.

- On May 9, 2013, the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans submitted comments to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality concerning the MS4 Draft Water Discharge Permit.

- On June 20, 2013, Environmental Affairs Department met with Diana McDonald, USEPA Region 6, and Kim Corts, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, during the Louisiana section of the MS4 conference in New Orleans. TMDLs and new MS4 permit requirements were discussed.