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Mr. John Meyer, Acting Director Superfund Division US Environmental Protection Agency 1201 Elm Street, Suite 500 Dallas, TX 75270-2102

Re: Proposed Listing of Capitol Lakes on the National Priorities List

Capitol Lakes; LDEQ Agency Interest #5040 Near I-110, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish

Dear Mr. Meyer:

This letter is in response to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) letter dated November 15, 2022, requesting concurrence from the state of Louisiana before the Capitol Lakes site ("the Site") can be proposed for listing on the National Priorities List (NPL).

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) has been actively involved with the Site in the past, and most recently provided technical assistance to the EPA in the assessment of the Site. The LDEQ agrees that the Site should be listed on the NPL so that the polychlorinated bi-phenyl (PCB) contamination that remains at the Site can be addressed. This is needed in order to eliminate the potential threat this contamination could pose to the public, as well as the surface water pathway and wetland areas that are on and adjacent to the Site. Should the Site be listed on the NPL, the LDEQ will continue to assist the EPA in remedial activities designed to protect public health and the environment.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Chuck Carr Brown, LDEQ Secretary, at (225) 219-3950.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dr. Chuck Carr Brown, LDEQ – Office of the Secretary

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