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Attachments: Joe_Rice_Letters.pdf

Katherine,

As a follow-up to our discussion today, following is an update:

1. EPA and DNR have both requested another 30 days for public comment. The EPA request is automatic.
2. We hope to get the Permit by January 31 so we can start the contracting process. The equipment is very specialized, expensive and not always available. As such, delays in getting the Permit can significantly increase the cost and / or delay the Project. Many draft sections of the Application were forwarded to the Agencies starting in June so finishing their evaluations in a timely manner should not be a burden.
3. Please find attached letters from Joe Rice to the Governor and some of our Congressional Delegation.
4. The Congressional Delegation is in various stages of requesting timely Corps consideration.
5. The Town of Hilton Head and the Hilton Head Chamber have passed resolutions requesting accelerated consideration.
6. Senator Davis and Representative Patrick are prepared to add their endorsement to the Governor's letter if requested. We plan to brief the rest of our State Delegation and County Council in the near future.
7. The two primary environmental groups in the area appear to be taking positions that they will not object.

As you coordinate with your Counsel that is conducting Due Diligence, please let me know if additional information is needed and whether we can be of assistance in updating the draft that we sent as a possible letter from the Governor to the Corps.

Thank you for your assistance.

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