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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF:

April 17, 2000

Executive Office

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Thank you for your continuing interest in the Craney Island Eastward Expansion feasibility study. The April 12th stakeholder meeting served to inform the stakeholders of the feasibility study progress to date as well as to set the course for future study efforts. The stakeholder meeting is an integral part of the feasibility study, which is being prepared under authority of a resolution of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, date September 24, 1997. A list of meeting participants is enclosed.

I am also enclosing meeting minutes prepared by Kristin Arnold for your information. We anticipate being prepared to provide several expansion footprints for stakeholder review and comment at the next stakeholder meeting. Questions regarding this letter may be directed to the project manager, Mr. Mark Mansfield, at (757) 441-7764. Again, thank you for your interest in this important study. We look forward to your future participation in this effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allan B. Carroll".

Allan B. Carroll
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Craney Island Stakeholders Meeting

April 12, 2000

Crumbley House, Norfolk

Reactions to Presentation on Hydrodynamic Modeling

- ◆ Impressed with field effort. Having this technology will help this process. Expect excellent data – ground truth
- ◆ Technical review with the Port involved. We're in the last stages of tweaking
- ◆ This needs to be an ongoing dialogue/review with the team working together
- ◆ Elizabeth River Project continue to be involved
- ◆ VIMS has an open house this Saturday, and you are always welcome to visit any time. Or come check out the website at www.vims.edu.

Concerns

- ◆ How soon will the field work start?
- ◆ Do you anticipate collecting data on all or just some of the grid points?
- ◆ Will wind be factored into the model?
- ◆ Biological organisms (e.g. fisheries, oysters) and water quality affects the decision as well...
- ◆ What about all the other projects that are on the table?
- ◆ What is the status of the contract?
- ◆ What is the total budget for this project?
- ◆ Are will going to be able to model an infinite number of alternatives or just how many?
- ◆ Do we have enough room? What's the end game? What total acreage are we talking about?
 - To do the fourth port expansion
 - To expand Craney Island
- ◆ Identify the numbers and types of folks who need to be involved
 - Navigation aspects
 - Environmental aspects
 - Etc.
- ◆ Identify the footprints and needs
 - Footprints need to be coordinated with the pilots, ship access and dredging
- ◆ Encourage participation in the technical review
- ◆ What are the other contracts that are concurrently going on?
 - Soils boring
 - Surveying
 - Modeling
 - Waterways Management Plan
- ◆ Keep in mind why we are doing this
- ◆ Develop and update a web page
 - Public information with schedule, key dates and milestones
 - Answers to stakeholder questions
 - Have a list of stakeholders and organization (privacy issues?)
 - Report information from stakeholder meetings
 - What we are looking at
 - Modeling information
 - Coordination
 - Updates
 - Executive summary with links to more detail
 - All of August 1999 meeting concerns
 - Be apolitical
 - List other items not addressed in modeling

- Make it easy to navigate
- Discuss the impact on other projects
- Have a running summary of decisions
- ◆ Have an email distribution list
- ◆ Narrow the field down to a couple of alternatives
- ◆ Explore sediment placement northward
- ◆ Think out of the box...have a creative dialogue about the possible alternatives
- ◆ Get input from the user groups/focus groups
- ◆ Create a "Technical Review Committee"
 - Chartered to keep the project on track, report to the larger stakeholder group and look at all the alternatives
 - Membership to include the modeling group who met to give input on the hydrodynamic modeling process.
 - Augment this group some e.g. Elder Lash, Dr. Don Dauer (when benthic comes in to play), and anyone else who wishes to participate
 - Think out of the box and explore the traditional as well as non-traditional alternatives.

Our next meeting:

- The technical review committee should present a few creative alternatives/concepts/footprints for the stakeholder group to react to, and see if they are willing to move forward with one, a few, or a combination of several (or even go back to the drawing board!). The presentation should include:
 - The methodology used to select the alternatives being presented
 - The alternatives/concepts/footprints
 - The relationship to prior issues/concerns/recommendations identified in the August 1999 meeting
 - Any other unresolved issues alternative does not address.