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**State of Louisiana**  
Department of Health and Hospitals  
Office of Public Health

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Mr. Martin S. Triche  
4554 Highway 1  
Napoleonville, LA 70390

Dear Mr. Triche,

As of Monday, August 20, 2012, the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals/Office of Public Health has received and reviewed the following naturally occurring radioactive material (NORM) water data related to the Bayou Come event:

DATE (S) SAMPLED	DESC.	# of SAMPLES/ READINGS	SAMPLED BY	PARAMETERS ANALYZED	DATE(S) REVIEWED BY OPH
08/15/2012	Water below slurry (depth 80 ft)	1	LDEQ	Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM)	08/18/2012

To date, no completed exposure pathway for the general public has been identified. Other potential public health hazards may exist and DHH will continue to work with state and local officials to identify those chemical and/or physical hazards and prevent and/or mitigate any risks.

We will continue to review environmental data as it is made available to DHH. If you have any questions, please call me at 504-458-5428.

Sincerely,

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