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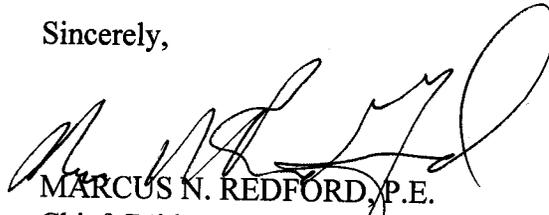
Dear Mr. Benningfield:

This refers to your Bridge Project Questionnaire dated October 10, 2001, with attachments, requesting Coast Guard permit requirements for a proposed new bridge on Texas State Route 130 across the Colorado River, mile 250, at Austin, Travis County, Texas.

At the site of the proposed bridge project, the Colorado River has been determined to be non-navigable for purposes of Coast Guard jurisdiction. As a result, no Coast Guard bridge permit will be required. Please be advised that plans for the bridge should provide sufficient clearances to pass all existing recreational boating and must have no significant impact on the environment. Specifically, the bridge should provide vertical and horizontal clearances equal to or greater than those of the existing bridges immediately upstream and downstream of the proposed bridge site. Furthermore, you should contact the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as well as your local floodplain administrator, to ensure that the clearances of the proposed bridge are sufficient to pass flood waters. You are also responsible for obtaining permits from all other Federal, state or local agencies having jurisdiction in this matter.

If you have any questions regarding this determination or if you require additional guidance, please contact us.

Sincerely,

  
MARCUS N. REDFORD, P.E.  
Chief, Bridge Administration Branch  
By direction of the Commander  
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