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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

January 24, 2005

The Honorable Mark Rey
Under Secretary
Natural Resources Department
U.S. Department of Agriculture
1400 Pennsylvania Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20205

Dear Mr. Rey:

I have received your letter of January 18, 2005, regarding the 1994 *Interagency Memorandum of Agreement Regarding the Delineation of Wetlands for Purposes of the Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Subtitle B of the Food Security Act*. Likewise, Army Civil Works intends to withdraw from participation in this agreement for the reasons cited in your letter, as well as the impacts of the Supreme Court decision in the Solid Waste Agency vs. Northern Cook County case,. By copy of this letter I am notifying the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of the Interior of this action.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions. Your staff may contact Mr. Chip Smith, Assistant for Environment, Tribal and Regulatory Affairs, at (703) 693-3655.

Sincerely,

George S. Dunlop
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army
(Civil Works)

CF:
Mr. Benjamin Grumbles
Acting Assistant Administrator for Water
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

The Honorable Craig Manson
Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks
U.S. Department of the Interior