



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
NEW YORK DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
JACOB K. JAVITS FEDERAL BUILDING
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10278-0090

REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

August 26, 2005

Planning Division

Dear Interested Party;

Be advised that due to the receipt of new information potentially relevant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process currently underway, the New York District (the District), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be issuing an amendment to the *Draft Environmental Assessment for the Newark Bay Area of the NY & NJ Harbor Deepening Project*. The District expects to release this amendment for public comment on or about September 16, 2005.

For those parties that submitted comments regarding the pre-amended Draft EA, (which comment period ended August 16, 2005), the District requests that you please resubmit comments on the original draft EA along with your comments on this Draft Amendment in writing (FAX or postmarked letter, only). The public comment review period will end 30 days from the release date of amendment.

The District will also make available to the public the amendment to the EA on the Districts web page (www.nan.usace.army.mil). Thank you for your participation in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L. Houston".

Leonard Houston
Chief, Environmental Analysis Branch