

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT 696 VIRGINIA ROAD CONCORD MA 01742-2751

January 15, 2016

Honorable Luke Bronin Mayor of Hartford 550 Main Street, Room 200 Hartford, CT 06103

Dear Mayor Bronin,

The US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has reviewed the City of Hartford's December 3, 2015 letter requesting approval of the Letter of Intent (LOI) for Hartford's two Flood Damage Reduction (FDR) Systems (System ID #4305000011 and #4305000032) located in Hartford, CT. The December 3, 2015 letter and attachment addressed USACE's comments as requested in our October 09, 2015 letter. Therefore, as of August 11, 2015 the LOI for the two Hartford FDR Systems (Connecticut River Right Bank and North and South Branch Park River Conduit) is approved and the systems are eligible in the Rehabilitation Program pursuant to Public Law (P.L.) 84-99.

The city of Hartford is granted a two-year period starting on August 11, 2015 to prepare a SWIF plan. During the development of the SWIF plan, the city is expected to (a) operate and maintain the system in accordance with the operation and maintenance manual, (b) implement interim risk reduction measures, and (c) perform risk communication activities with the population at risk. USACE will monitor the city's progress during the 2 year SWIF plan development period on an annual basis. During the review period, if progress is deemed unsatisfactory, the two Hartford FDR systems may be returned to an "ineligible" status within the Rehabilitation Program pursuant to P.L. 84-99.

If you have any questions concerning this project or this letter, please contact David Schafer, Chief, Emergency Management Office, at 978-318-8274 or email at <u>david.w.schafer@usace.army.mil</u> or Michael Bachand, Levee Safety Program Manager, at 978-318-8075 or email at <u>michael.l.bachand@usace.army.mil</u>.

Sincerely,

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