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MEMORANDUM

June 30, 2023

TO: All Concerned

FROM: Monique M. Edwards 
Commissioner of Conservation

SUBJECT: Funding Mechanisms for Site Specific Trust Accounts

As of June 30, 2023, funding mechanisms acceptable to the Commissioner of Conservation for Site Specific Trust Accounts (SSTAs) include:

- Cash
- Letters of Credit or Pledges of Certificate of deposits funded by regulated financial institutions
- Performance Bonds funded by regulated financial institutions

Regulated financial institutions include state or national banks organized under the provisions of Chapter 3 of Title 6 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and the National Banking Act (12 U.S.C. 1 et seq.); federal credit unions organized under the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1751, et seq.); or reinsurance companies recognized by the U.S. Department of Treasury as admitted reinsurers.

All newly established Site Specific Trust Accounts (SSTAs) must adhere to these requirements and all existing Site Specific Trust Accounts (SSTAs) which are currently funded in accordance with these requirements may not be replaced with a funding mechanism that does not meet these requirements.