

Monday, May 16, 2005

Dear Peer Review Panel,

Congratulations on being selected to the Regional Simulation Model (RSM) peer review panel. We greatly appreciate your willingness to serve on this panel, which was selected with careful attention to the most critical aspects of the model and its application to South Florida. We are confident that the panel members have the correct mix of technical expertise necessary to perform a thorough peer review of the RSM. The [peer review panelists](#)<sup>1</sup> are:

Dr. David Chin, Univ. of Miami (Chair of the Panel)  
Dr. John Dracup, Univ. of California at Berkeley  
Dr. Norm Jones, Brigham Young University  
Dr. Victor Miguel Ponce, San Diego State  
Mr. Raymond Schaffranek, USGS Reston, Virginia  
Dr. René Therrien, Université of Laval, Québec, Canada

This letter contains hyperlinks to the [peer review website](#)<sup>2</sup> and the [web-board](#)<sup>3</sup> that you will use to communicate with other panel members. It is very important that all RSM inquiries and communications be posted on the web board because of the need to comply with the [Florida Sunshine Law](#)<sup>4</sup>. We officially request that there be no person-to-person telephone calls made during the execution of the peer review.

This letter represents the official start of the HSE peer review. Enclosed with this package you will find required reading materials that you should complete before the on-site meeting in West Palm Beach, that is scheduled for June 22-24, 2005. After reviewing these materials, you should submit your technical questions to the web-board on or before June 12, 2005. This will give the District employees time to prepare responses before the on-site visit.

Jacobs Engineering is facilitating this peer review for the District. If you have questions regarding logistics, planning or website content, please feel free to contact either [Ken Black](#) (865) 220-6190 (office), (865) 382-3943 (cell) or [Bob Yager](#) (865) 220-5647 (office). We will do our best to respond to your needs as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> [http://gwmftp.jacobs.com/Peer\\_Review/Peer\\_Review\\_Finalists.pdf](http://gwmftp.jacobs.com/Peer_Review/Peer_Review_Finalists.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [http://oakweb04.jacobs.com/Peer\\_Review/web\\_page/peer\\_review\\_sfwm.html](http://oakweb04.jacobs.com/Peer_Review/web_page/peer_review_sfwm.html)

<sup>3</sup> <http://oakweb04.jacobs.com/supportforums/>

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.sfwm.gov/org/erd/webboard/sunshine.html#sunshine>