

Year-End Information Quality Report Format

I. Cover Sheet: Requests for Correction Received FY 2004

Department Name: **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)**

Period Covered: **01 Oct 03 – 30 Sep 04 (FY 2004)**

Agency Name	Number of Requests Received	Number Designated as Influential
USACE	2	0
	Total 2	Total 0

- **Agency Receiving Correction Request:** Department of the Army
Corps of Engineers, Headquarters
- **Requestor:** Martin Becker
600 Peachtree Street
Suite 3740
Atlanta, GA 30308-2214
Represents a Public Interest Group
- **Date Received:** 2 March 2004, E-Mail
5 March 2004, log
- **Summary of Request:** Mr. Becker challenges the 100-yr flow calculation for Day Creek in San Bernardino County, California found in the November 29, 1999 US Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District report entitled "*Review of Debris Production and Level-of-Protection Deer Creek Debris Basin.*"
- **Description of Requested Correction:** Mr. Becker claims that the Los Angeles District 100-yr flow computation in the "*Review of Debris Production and Level-of-Protection Deer Creek Debris Basin*" Report used a skew coefficient that was not computed in accordance with the "*Guidelines for Determining Flood Flow Frequency, Bulletin 17b,*" even though the District Report represented that it followed the Guidelines.
- **Influential:** ___Yes___ No ___Undetermined___
- **First Agency Response:** in progress ___completed___
- **Resolution:** Pending.
- **Appeal Request:** ___NA___ none ___NA___ in progress ___NA___ completed
- **Summary of Request for Reconsideration:** NA
- **Type of Appeal Process Used:** NA
- **Appeal Resolution:** NA

- **Agency Receiving Correction Request:** Department of the Army
Corps of Engineers, Headquarters
- **Requestor:** Madeleine Fortin
21801 SW 152 Street
Miami, Florida 33187
Private citizen
- **Date Received:** 9 Aug 2004, Federal Express
11 Aug 2004, log
- **Summary of Request:** Ms. Fortin challenges the information, data, analyses, and conclusions drawn in the document entitled "*Supplemental EIS for the Central and Southern Florida Project, Modified Water Deliveries to Everglades National Park, Florida, 8.5 Square Mile Area,*" published July 2000 by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District. The report was prepared as part of the Federal effort to restore a more natural hydrologic regime in the Everglades National Park. She is concerned that the report will result in her property not receiving flood protection and being condemned.
- **Description of Requested Correction:** Ms. Fortin claims that the computer model used by the Corps lacks transparency, that the data presented in the report is incomplete and asks that the report be corrected.
- **Influential:** ___ Yes ___ No ___ Undetermined
- **First Agency Response:** in progress ___ completed
- **Resolution:** Pending.
- **Appeal Request:** ___ NA none ___ NA in progress ___ NA completed
- **Summary of Request for Reconsideration:** NA
- **Type of Appeal Process Used:** NA
- **Appeal Resolution:** NA

- **Agency Receiving Correction Request:** Department of the Army
Corps of Engineers, Headquarters
- **Requestor:** Jeff Ruch, Executive Director
Dan Meyer, General Counsel
PEER (Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility)
Public Interest Group
- **Date Received:** 20 Aug 2003, fax
20 Aug 2003, log
- **Summary of Request:** PEER challenges the information, data, analyses, and conclusions drawn in the document entitled *Monthly Status Report, July 2003, Upper Mississippi River and Illinois Waterway System Navigation Study*, published August 7, 2003 by the USACE Rock Island District on the World Wide Web at <http://www2.mvr.usace.army.mil/umr-iwwsns>. PEER requests that, until USACE completes an independent peer review of the information, data, analyses, and conclusions of the subject document before it is disseminated, the Department of Defense “immediately disavow and withdraw” from distribution the subject publication.
- **Description of Requested Correction:** “PEER requests that, until the Army Corps of Engineers complies with the provisions of the DQA and the OMB Guidelines by completing an independent peer review of the information, data, analyses, and conclusions of the subject document “before it is disseminated”, that the Department of Defense immediately disavow and withdraw from distribution the published *Monthly Status Report, July 2003, Upper Mississippi River and Illinois Waterway System Navigation Study*.
- **Influential:** Yes No Undetermined
- **First Agency Response:** in progress completed, responded 8 March 2004.
- **Resolution:** The RFC was denied. PEER did not show an adequate reason for the Corps to withdraw the *2003 July Status Report*, and their requested relief was contrary to a participatory governmental process. The information contained in the *2003 July Status Report* was of a quality appropriate for the use intended and was provided by the Corps in an effort to conduct an open and transparent study process in keeping with the goals of the Data Quality Act.
- **Appeal Request:** none in progress completed
- **Summary of Request for Reconsideration:** NA
- **Type of Appeal Process Used:** NA
- **Appeal Resolution:** NA