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Voting Section - NWB 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

August 11, 2011

Mr. Kevin P. Belanger Chief Executive Officer South Central Planning & Development Commission P.O. Box 1870 Gray, Louisiana 70359

Dear Mr. Belanger:

This refers to the 2011 redistricting plan, including the addition of a polling place and numerous voting precincts and the designation of polling places, for Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on June 27, 2011; additional information was received on July 6, 2011.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. In addition, as authorized by Section 5, we reserve the right to reexamine this submission if additional information that would otherwise require an objection comes to our attention during the remainder of the sixty-day review period. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41 and 51.43.

Sincerely,

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Chief, Voting Section

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