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Jean-Pierre L. Oriel, Commissioner
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Re: Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency Request for Federal Consistency Determination for the Tsunami Siren Project, ST. Thomas

Dear Commissioner Oriol:

The Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency (VITEMA) respectfully requests a Federal Consistency Determination for the Tsunami Siren Installation Project. VITEMA is proposing to relocate five additional sirens within the St. Thomas/Water Island district.

The five (5) sites are:

- Schneider Regional Medical Center
- Dorothea
- Catherineberg
- DPNR Boat Yard – Subbase
- Catchment Hill W.I.

The purpose of the projects is to restore and provide additional siren coverage to the system that was damaged during the 2017 Hurricane season.

VITEMA has already began the process of repairing and replacing the Early Warning Siren System within the ST. Thomas/Water Island district however, the project was put on hold while VITEMA awaits FEMA's Environment Planning and Historic Preservation review/approval for the sites that were relocated from their original locations.

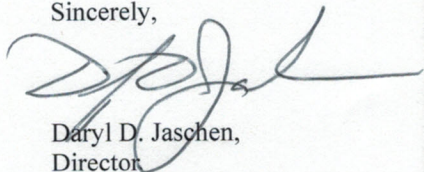
FEMA has fully obligated two (2), Public Assistance Section 428 grants (**PW 00655 & PW 00656**) for the repairs and mitigation of said system for future damages.

The project will re-convene as soon as all approvals are final and will take a total four (4) months to complete. The proposed activity is consistent to the maximum extent practical with the Virgin Islands Coastal Zone Management Program and will be conducted in a manner consistent with such program.

Attached please find a project summary demonstrating the projects compliance with the U.S. Virgin Islands Coastal Zone Management Program, and the map of the proposed sites, along with a typical installation diagram.

We look forward to your decision on this matter.

Sincerely,



Daryl D. Jaschen,
Director