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Mr. John W. Renfrow, P.E.
Director, Metro-Dade
Department of Environmental Resources Management
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Dear Mr. Renfrow:

We have completed our review of the Dade County Manatee Protection Plan (MPP). As a part of our review process, we received several comments from other Divisions of the Department. After discussion with your staff, it appears that all of these comments have been appropriately addressed. We are pleased to approve the MPP and request a final edited version once available.

We stand ready to assist you in reviewing those portions of the plan that will be submitted as a part of the Dade County Comprehensive Plan amendment cycle. With this approval, the Department's interim standards for boating facilities, such as the 1:100 policy, are replaced with the standards set forth by the MPP.

This represents a significant accomplishment and I appreciate the countless hours of hard work and personal sacrifice made by all of the County staff, especially Dr. Susan Markley and Ms. Keven Mayo.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Mr. David Arnold, Chief of the Bureau of Protected Species Management at (904)922-4330. Mr. Arnold will be following up with appropriate County staff to coordinate implementation of the Plan.

Sincerely,

Kirby B. Green, III
Assistant Secretary

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