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Mr. Douglas R. Hamilton
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Dear Mr. Hamilton:

On January 26, 1996, Mr. Thomas Cotter, Records Appraisal and Disposition Division, National Archives, requested your concurrence for the records generated by the Panama Canal Commission's Meteorological and Hydrographic Branch. Inasmuch as you signed and returned the concurrence letter to Mr. Cotter, we had coordinated with the Met. & Hyd. Branch and the CD-ROM data is ready for transfer, the same contains data from 1971 through 1998.

Sincerely,

Monica C. Lee
Acting Manager, Records Management Branch

Enclosure

National Archives at College Park



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January 26, 1996

Mr. Douglas R. Hamilton
Chief, Data Base Management Division
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
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Washington, DC 20233

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

I am writing in regards to the disposition of records generated by the Meteorological and Hydrographic Branch of the Panama Canal Commission (PCC). As you are aware, the PCC will be abolished on December 31, 1999, when legal custody of the Canal is conveyed to the Republic of Panama.

In anticipation of this, PCC has proposed transferring one series of records to the National Oceanographic Data Center and has submitted an SF-115 (Request For Records Disposition Authority) to the National Archives and Records Administration for approval, NARA job number N1-185-96-1 (copy enclosed). The records in question, series 5a2, Tide Data, pertain to PCC's Hydrological and Meteorological System (1971-present) and consist of processed 15-minute readings of tide elevations from meteorology and hydrology stations along the Canal watershed.

We are requesting your concurrence in the transfer of these records, in accordance with 36 CFR 1228.126. Please indicate your concurrence by signing this letter in the space indicated below and return it as soon as conveniently possible.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call me at (301) 713-7110, ext. 252.

Sincerely,

THOMAS F. COTTER
Records Appraisal
and Disposition Division

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Concurrence:

Douglas R. Hamilton, Chief, Data Base Man. Div. Jan 29, 1996
Name and Title Date