

MEMORANDUM

September 20, 2002

TO: Robert Latham
FROM: John Sewell
RE: Message on I-59 contra-flow plan
CC: Renick, Lee Ann, Boyd, Phillip

As a result of the meeting we had this afternoon regarding the I-59 contra-flow plan, the following message was developed to be given by MEMA and our office:

We will do whatever we can to accommodate the citizens of Louisiana in the case of an evacuation, but we also have a responsibility to the citizens of Mississippi. We will not put the lives of Mississippians at risk, and by law we must provide our communities with the resources they need to meet their needs at the local levels.

If any part of this message is inaccurate or just plain wrong, please let me know as soon as possible.