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John Bel Edwards, Governor Shawn D. Wilson, Ph.D., Secretary

April 29, 2019

Off System Bridge Owners Statewide

RE: Off System Load Rating Status

Dear Off System Bridge Owners:

A list of off system bridges that still require a load rating for each Parish is provided with this letter (attached). Every Parish is required to review the list provided and follow the instructions below. In addition, LADOTD's plan of action to mitigate these outstanding load ratings is given. Parishes shall indicate on the list provided whether or not they plan to load rate each bridge.

Will be load rated by Parish/Owner?		
(Y/N)	(Notes)	

Each listed bridge shall be marked by the bridge owner as:

- Y (Owner provided previously or will provide complete load rating) or
- N (LA DOTD will assist load rating with condition listed below)
- Please indicate in the notes if a load rating has been provided to LADOTD previously or if the owner intends to load rate the bridge. All bridge load ratings that will be done by bridge owners shall be submitted to LA DOTD by **June 30, 2020**.

The reviewed list must be returned to LADOTD by May 10, 2019. A failure by the Parish to respond by this date will result in LADOTD performing the load rating, and deducting the cost of the load rating from the Parish's Off System Bridge Replacement Program budget. This must be done to comply with Federal National Bridge Inspection Program Requirements.

<u>DOTD Built Bridges</u>: Bridges listed on the attached list with State Project number (xxx-xx-xxxx or H.xxxxxx) were built under a State project/program. These bridges will be rated by LADOTD at no cost to the bridge owner if they do not have a load rating. These bridges should be marked with 'N,' unless the owner has rated the bridge in the past or has the bridge under contract to be load rated (in that case, a Y should be placed in the box).

Non- DOTD Built Bridges: For all bridges not built under the state Project/Program that will be rated by LADOTD, the cost will be funded by deducting from the parish's Federal Off-system Highway Bridge Program at \$5,000 each bridge. If the Parish wishes to perform the load rating in order to avoid this deduction, the Parish must note this on the list with a Y, and the load rating must be submitted to LADOTD by June 30, 2020.



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Please review the list of bridges. At the top right corner of each list, a parish official with signatory authority must sign that the list was reviewed.

Unrated DOTD Built	8	Parish: Reviewed by:
Unrated Non-DOTD Built	25	
Total unrated	33	

Important Dates:

May 10, 2019 – Due date for Parish to submit the rating list with markups and signature

June 30, 2020 - Due date for Parish to submit Parish-funded completed load ratings

If you have any further question. Please contact Jenny Fu at 225-379-1321.

Sincerely,

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