Regulatory Division  
North Branch  
LRH-2013-257-MUS-Buckeye Lake

PERMIT TIME EXTENSION

Mr. James Zehringer, Director  
Ohio Department of Natural Resources  
2045 Morse Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43229-6693

Dear Mr. Zehringer:

I refer to the letter dated October 12, 2016, requesting a twelve (12)-month time extension for Department of the Army (DA) emergency authorization LRH-2013-257-MUS-Buckeye to discharge approximately 325,000 cubic yards of commercially-available earthen fill material below the ordinary high water mark or normal pool elevation of 891.75’ of Buckeye Lake in conjunction with the construction of a structural “Interim Risk Reduction Measure” (IRRM). The IRRM consists of an embankment stabilization berm and seepage barrier within the lake bed and against the upstream face of the entire 4.1 mile long existing earthen dam located in Fairfield County, Ohio.

The current DA permit will expire on December 31, 2016. Since your time extension request was received prior to the expiration date, your request has been considered. Based upon a review of the provided information, the time extension is required to facilitate the previously authorized work.

In accordance with 33 CFR 325.6, an extension of time may be granted by the district engineer if it is determined it would not be contrary to the public interest. Since the circumstances affecting issuance of your original DA permit and approval of your project have not changed, your request for an extension of time is hereby granted. Therefore, your DA permit is hereby modified to reflect the change in the time limit for completing the authorized work to allow for a time extension. The time limit for completing the authorized work will expire on December 31, 2017.

This letter should be attached to your existing DA permit. All terms and conditions of the existing DA permit remain applicable. Should new information regarding the scope and/or proposed impacts of the project become available that was not submitted to this office during our review of the proposal, you must submit written information concerning proposed modification(s) to this office for review, evaluation, and approval as required by law before the work is begun.
A copy of this letter will be provided to Mr. Harry Kallipolitis with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency at the Lazarus Government Building, 50 West Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. If you have any questions concerning the above information, please feel free to contact Ms. Lee A. Robinette of the Energy Resource Branch at (304) 399-5930, by mail at the above address, or by email at lee.a.robinette@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Teresa Spagna
Chief, North Branch