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Dear Ms. Fletcher

We are pleased to submit ten bound and one unbound copies of the Technical Appendix to the Final Report of the Socioeconomic Study of Reefs in Southeast Florida dated October 2001, as revised April 18, 2003. The Final Report was written with the intent to inform the reader of the methodology used while not overwhelming the reader with excessive detail. This appendix describes those methods used to estimate the economic contribution and use values of the reefs that were not described in the Final Report. Therefore, readers wishing to understand the complete methods used should first refer to Chapters 1 and 2 of the Final Report and then fill in any information gaps by reviewing this Technical Appendix.

This study provides estimates of the reef use, reef user values, and the economic contribution of reef-related expenditures during the time period June 2000 to May 2001. This technical appendix and report are the product of a significant survey research effort and analysis of the uses and values of the artificial and natural reefs in southeast Florida. This project’s success was directly attributable to the assistance and support of many individuals involved in this 20-month long effort.

We thank you, Pamela Fletcher, for your consistent support and guidance during this project. We know you spent significant effort in making sure this project was a success. We have enjoyed working with the funding agencies and you and your staff at Broward County.

Very truly yours,

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