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February 21, 2014

The Honorable Larry Kiker
Chairman, Lee County
Board of County Commissioners
2115 Second Street
Fort Myers, Florida 33901

Dear Chairman Kiker:

The Department of Economic Opportunity has completed its review of the comprehensive plan amendment adopted by Lee County on February 3, 2014 (Ordinance Nos. 14-02 and 14-03, DEO Amendment No. 14-1ESR). We have reviewed the amendment in accordance with the expedited state review process set forth in Sections 163.3184(2), (3) and (5), Florida Statutes (F.S.), and have identified no provision that necessitates a challenge of the Ordinance adopting the amendment.

If this plan amendment is not challenged by an affected person, the amendment will become effective 31 days after the Department notified the local government that the plan amendment package was complete. If this plan amendment is challenged by an affected person, the amendment will not become effective until the Department or the Administration Commission enters a final order determining the amendment to be "In Compliance." No development orders, development permits, or land uses dependent on this amendment may be issued or commenced before it has become effective.

We appreciate the opportunity to work with the Lee County staff in the review of the amendment. If you have any questions related to this review, please contact Valerie Brookens, at (850) 717-8489, or by email at valerie.brookens@deo.myflorida.com.

Sincerely,

Ana Richmond
Comprehensive Planning Manager

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cc: Mr. Paul O'Conner, AICP, Planning Division Director, Lee County
Ms. Margaret Wuerstle, Executive Director, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council