

## U.S. Department of Justice

## **Civil Rights Division**

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January 3, 2012

Mr. Gary Kubic County Administrator P.O. Box 1228 Beaufort, South Carolina 29901-1228

Dear Mr. Kubic:

This refers to the 2011 redistricting plans for the County Council and School Board for Beaufort County, South Carolina, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submissions on November 2, 2011; additional information was received through December 15, 2011.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

Sincerely,

T. Christian Herren, Jr. Chief, Voting Section