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BRIDGE OWNER EMAIL ADDRESS:

SUBJECT: **NATIONAL BRIDGE INSPECTION STANDARDS (NBIS) -  
Non-SCDOT OWNED BRIDGE RECEIVING CLOSED BRIDGE INSPECTION**

Asset ID Number:

Dear

As part of the South Carolina Bridge Inspection Program, SCDOT Bridge Maintenance performs the inspection and load ratings of all county or municipality-owned bridges that have a clear span of 20 feet or greater in accordance with NBIS. These bridges are scheduled to be inspected every two years unless a shorter duration is recommended.

South Carolina is federally required to apply the NBIS to all structures defined as highway bridges located on all public roads. Bridge inspection requirements are codified into federal law by *23 CFR 650*. While the SCDOT performs inspections on all public bridges, the repair, rehabilitation or reconstruction of any bridges is the owner/custodian's responsibility.

SCDOT is hereby notifying the owner/custodian of the bridge identified in the subject of this letter that **SCDOT will no longer be performing full NBIS inspections on this bridge** as it is now closed to the traveling public. Henceforth, **SCDOT will only verify the "closed" status of the structure.** Please complete the portion of the form below, and return to the District Bridge Engineer (DBE). Contact the DBE if you have questions regarding this correspondence:

If the bridge is ever reopened to the public, the NBIS, *23 CFR 650.315 (b)*, requires the bridge to be inspected within 90 days of bridge reopening. The owner/custodian is responsible for notifying the DBE to schedule initial inspections in accordance with the SCDOT Bridge Inspection Guidance Document (BIGD). **If the bridge will remain closed and not be reopened, please indicate below. Bridges that have been closed for over five years with no plans to repair or rehabilitate may be removed from the active inventory by SCDOT.**

SCDOT is pleased to assist you in this matter of bridge safety to protect the citizens of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

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TO BE COMPLETED BY SCDOT:			
Asset ID Number (NBI 08):	District (NBI 02):	County (NBI 03):	
Location (NBI 09):	Route Carried (NBI 07):	Feature Crossed (NBI 06):	
TO BE COMPLETED BY BRIDGE OWNER - (Return to SCDOT via mail or email, see DBE email above):			
BRIDGE OWNER ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Owner of the bridge has acknowledged receipt of this letter.			
(SELECT ONE):			
Bridge Owner will notify SCDOT when the bridge has reopened and requires inspection within 90 days.			
Bridge Owner is hereby notifying SCDOT that the bridge will not be reopened. SCDOT will remove from bridge inventory.			
Bridge Owner:	Name:	Signature:	Date:

cc: DBE, DBIS, SCDOT BMO, Bridge File

