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In Reply
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Mr. Lawrence A. Selzer
President and CEO
The Conservation Fund
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Dear Larry:

Congratulations on your efforts to add more than 1,000 acres of marginal farmland to Louisiana's Red River National Wildlife Refuge. This acquisition and forestland restoration project, made possible by The Conservation Fund's Go Zero[®] program, will help address both climate change and habitat loss in one of our nation's most important wildlife refuges.

We recognize that it is important to permanently monument and document Go Zero projects. Thus, as we move forward in our partnership with the Fund, we will incorporate all Go Zero restoration efforts in the Refuge Comprehensive Conservation Plans as they are developed and/or renewed. Additionally, to ensure that the program meets the highest standards for quality and transparency, we support your efforts to register and retire any carbon offsets that are generated as a result of the Go Zero dollars spent on refuge lands.

We thank you for your continued partnership and stand ready to assist joint efforts to advance the mission of the US Fish and Wildlife Service to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

Sincerely yours,

Sam D. Hamilton
Regional Director

copy to: Jena Thompson, The Conservation Fund
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