9/13/05: Louisiana State Documents Depository Program adjustments for Hurricane Katrina aftermath

Please contact the Recorder of Documents Office with any suggestions, ideas, questions or comments. Ferol Foos (225) 342-4929, docs@state.lib.la.us or ffoos@state.lib.la.us

1. We are holding shipments to the depository libraries listed below whose institutions are impaired in the hurricane aftermath. These depositories currently total 15: 2 complete, 2 core; 4 public, 10 academic, 1 special.

Delgado, Dillard, Jefferson Parish East & West, Law Library of Louisiana, Louisiana State University Medical Center, Loyola Law, New Orleans Public, Nunez, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, Southern in NO, Tulane, Tulane Law, UNO, Xavier.

- \*\*We ask these libraries to please contact our office when they are ready to receive state documents shipments again.
- 2. We are holding all extra copies of state documents, compiling a list for use by libraries that need to replace lost/damaged items.
- 3. Of course, the volume of Louisiana documents being submitted right now has significantly dropped. Some agency offices and facilities are in the effected areas; others are busy helping with recovery. Normally, about 41% of Louisiana documents submitted are from academic institutions; now some of them are closed; many others are focused on accommodating relocated students.
- 4. We have delayed sending the semiannual letter to agencies reminding them of their responsibility to submit public documents to the depository program. Agency liaisons suggested, in a limited telephone survey, that letters to open agencies be postponed until November. A full mailing may wait until the recovery is to the point when agencies can give attention to the depository program requirements.