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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-305 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Upper Mississippi River – Illinois WW System, IL, IA, MN, MO &WI project in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District located at 1500 Rock Island Drive, Rock Island, Illinois 61201.

This funding will be used for improving navigation and ecosystem restoration on the Upper Mississippi River – Illinois waterway. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it builds on the progress of beginning construction on Lock and Dam 25 at Winfield, Missouri and continues navigation and ecosystem improvements on the Upper Mississippi River necessary to maximize inland waterway navigation and associated economic benefits.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by sections 8003 and 8004 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (Public Law P.L. 110-114).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely.

Blaine Luetkemeyer Member of Congress