

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. SPENCER BACHUS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BACHUS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding that I requested as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The University of Alabama

Address of Requesting Entity: Office of Research Box 870117, Tuscaloosa, AL 35476

Description of Request: Provide \$1,000,000 for the Institute for Sustainable Energy at the University of Alabama. The institute will focus the efforts of a team of researchers to develop the science and technology to utilize the complex mix of alternate fuels in an energy and environmentally sound manner. It will lead to energy independence; enhance national security, a stronger economy, and a cleaner environment. The total budget for the project is \$2,000,000. Specifically within the budget, \$1,500,000 will go toward scientific equipment, \$200,000 toward facility design/development, and \$300,000 toward salary and training. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Department of Energy, EERE Account. The University of Alabama will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers, O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: Mobile District 109 St. Joseph Street, Mobile, AL 36628

Description of Request: Provide \$24,180,000 in funding for Operations and Maintenance for the Mobile District of the COE for the Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers. Currently there are 20–25 million tons transported on this river each year, mostly coal and petroleum products, and serious repairs are needed. The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway and Coosa-Alabama River systems depend on the efficiency of the Black Warrior-Tombigbee. This project will provide necessary infrastructure maintenance and repairs to the 50+ year old lock and dam system. The entire budget for the project will go towards maintenance and repairs. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Corps of Engineers, O&M Account.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Inspection of Completed Works, AR

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Fort Smith

Address of Requesting Entity: 623 Garrison Avenue, Suite 315, Fort Smith, Arkansas, 72902

Description of Request: The City of Fort Smith would use the funding of \$425,000 to coordinate with the Little Rock District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to perform an Engineering assessment on the Arkansas River levee system, to ensure that adequate design and maintenance of the levee system is in place to provide reasonable assurance that protection from the base flood (100 year flood event) exists and/or that design criteria is being met. This is necessary to ensure FEMA accredits the levees for purposes of flood risk studies and flood map modernization. The project is vital to ensure the safety of lives and property protected by the levee system.

HONORING WAYMAN LAWRENCE TISDALE

SPEECH OF

HON. DAN BOREN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Mr. BOREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a fellow Oklahoman, Wayman Tisdale, who tragically passed away on May 15th.

Many people in Oklahoma and across the nation knew Wayman as a college or professional basketball player, or even as an accomplished musician. But he represented much, much more.

Tisdale was a three-time All-American for the University of Oklahoma's basketball program in the 1980s before playing a dozen years in the NBA.

Wayman still holds Oklahoma's career record for both points and rebounds. Tisdale was the first OU athlete in any sport to have his jersey retired. After three years at Oklahoma, Tisdale played in the NBA with the Indiana Pacers, Sacramento Kings and Phoenix Suns.

As a chart-topping musician, Tisdale recorded eight albums. Tisdale's jazz album

"Power Forward" reached No. 4 on Billboard's Contemporary Jazz chart, and his album "Way Up" reached No. 1 on Billboard's Top 10.

Aside from his long list of achievements, Tisdale's leadership, character, and grace set a strong example for his family, friends, teammates, fans, and above all else, his fellow Americans.

Mr. Tisdale was an All-American not just in basketball, but in life. With memories of his big smile and his big heart, we send our deepest condolences to Wayman's wife, Regina, and his four children. Wayman will be missed, but never forgotten.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. VIRGINIA FOXX

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 9, 2009

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3081) making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes:

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Chair, the vote that I took this afternoon on H.R. 3081 was one of the toughest votes that I have had to take in this House since I have been here in my 4½ years. The problem with the bill and with the decision that had to be made is because the bill contained funding for aid to Israel, our best friend in the world.

I have always been and will continue to be an extremely strong supporter of Israel. Israel has always been a good friend to the United States, the people of this country and the people of Israel share the same values. However, the bill had so many flaws that it made it very difficult for a pro-life, fiscal conservative such as I to vote for the bill despite my very strong support for Israel.

Israel is a vital American ally in the Middle East and deserves our full support as it serves as the preeminent democracy in the region. Throughout the history of our relations with Israel, the U.S. has stood by this nation and supported her even when she seemed hemmed in by insurmountable forces.

Today the very existence of Israel is a testament to the power of freedom and democracy, particularly in a region known more for despotic regimes than for its beacons of liberty. That is why I am proud to stand with our ally Israel and support policies that help maintain our strong ties with this critical nation in the Middle East.

My strong support for Israel is what makes me so disappointed about this appropriations bill. This bill, when emergency supplemental funds were not taken into account, was still 32 percent more than the regular fiscal year 2009

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appropriations. I am taking the liberty of using some of the figures from my colleague, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. PRICE), which were also presented today on the floor in terms of explaining the bill that we voted on this afternoon.

We are facing a fiscal crisis in this country. This administration and this Congress, led by Speaker PELOSI, are spending this country into a terrible, terrible situation. We are mortgaging our children and grandchildren's future with excess spending; and it has to stop somewhere.

Had this bill merely contained the funding for Israel, it would have been very easy for me to have supported it, although I was quite concerned that the bill reduced the funding for Israel by 7.2 percent below last year's funding level and 23.3 percent below the request. But, as I said earlier, the total bill had an increase of 33.8 percent compared to last year. What kind of message does it send when we increase overall spending levels in this bill by a third and yet cut funding to a critical ally and democratic partner in the Middle East?

One of the most troubling increases in this bill was a 20 percent increase to the United Nations Population Fund and a 19 percent increase to International Family Planning. The United Nations Population Fund aids China's one-child policy, coercive abortion, and sterilization. International Family Planning goes to organizations that promote and provide abortion services through International Planned Parenthood Federation and Marie Stokes International.

In addition, the Democrats had rejected four cost-cutting Republican amendments that had been presented which could have made this bill a lot more palatable to the 97 Republicans who voted against it.

Another problem with the bill is that there was a false assumption that the Obama administration will live up to its promise of no more war supplementals for Iraq and Afghanistan. The President has gone back on every promise that he made during the campaign. He has already asked for a supplemental this year, says it was a carryover from last year, but that won't happen again. However, before the ink was dry on the amended full committee report of this bill, the chairman of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, Congressman MURTHA, publicly stated that another supplemental is necessary to fund the troops because of the low fiscal year 2010 Defense allocation.

So the promise was that all of the money for the war was going to be here and we wouldn't have to do more supplementals. That isn't going to happen.

This bill also avoids making hard fiscal choices about spending abroad while we face a financial crisis here. This is not the way we should be going. We should be funding our friends and our allies. We should be helping Israel which is the only true democracy in the Middle East and who stands by us year after year, day after day. But funding things like abortion and international family planning is not the way to go.

PASSING OF LONGTIME HOUSE
STAFFER SALLY CROWE

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Ms. McCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express how deeply saddened I am by the passing of longtime House staffer and Members' Dining Room Hostess, Sally Crowe.

The House of Representatives will mourn her for a long time, particularly the Members, staff and guests she touched on a regular basis. Her absence is truly unsettling.

Sally served the House of Representatives with distinction for over 57 years—over five decades—longer than any Member in Congress today.

A few years ago, she received the John W. McCormack Annual Award of Excellence for her commitment and outstanding service: An honor well deserved.

Sally was first hired as a cashier in the Longworth House Office Building cafeteria in 1951. But she is best known for her service as a hostess in the Members' Dining Room in the Capitol—a post she took on in the 1960s.

Sally's loyalty and work ethic was unmatched. Three years ago, she suffered a bad fall, but still returned to the job she clearly loved. She was 89 years old at that time.

Just as remarkable, Sally seemed to know every Member by name.

I first met her nine years ago, as a freshman Member of Congress. Those of us who were privileged to have met her are all the better for it. Sally was a burst of sunshine and brought joy to everyone who came in her path.

Sadly, on Sunday, June 28—just 10 days ago—Sally bid farewell to the Congress and her family and friends.

I want to extend condolences to her three daughters, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and say thank you for sharing her with us.

Sally's sense of humor was contagious and her spirit was comforting. We miss her dearly.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND
VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3082) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes:

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Madam Chair, I rise in support of H.R. 3082, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010. This legislation continues our commitment to the men and women who sacrifice so much to keep our nation safe, supporting members of our military on base, in theater, and when they return home.

As the representative of Fort Bragg, Pope Air Force Base, and many members of our

National Guard and Reserves, I am pleased that this bill invests in the infrastructure needed to prepare our troops for battle and improve military equipment. Fort Bragg is becoming one of the largest military facilities in the country through the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process, and this bill will provide more than \$200 million for a variety of projects on the base in support of Army activity, special operations forces, and the National Guard. Nationwide, H.R. 3082 contains significant funding for new facilities including \$450 million to modernize troop housing, \$2 billion to improve military family housing, and \$7.5 billion for BRAC. In recognition of the historic contributions of National Guard and Reserve personnel to operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as their support of emergency assistance and homeland security, this bill provides \$200 million for National Guard and Reserve construction. H.R. 3082 also includes \$1.4 billion for needs related to operations and troop increases in Afghanistan. Overall, this bill ensures that our military infrastructure keeps up with the needs of our modern fighting forces and operations overseas.

As an Army veteran, I am also pleased that H.R. 3082 continues to build on our promise to take care of all those who have served our country with honor. It provides nearly \$109 billion for veteran's services, including medical care and facilities. Together with increases of the last two years, enactment of this bill will have increased veteran's funding by nearly 50 percent, in recognition of the service of our soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan. The bill provides \$34.7 billion to improve access to medical services for all veterans and \$4.6 billion for mental health care, and will add 1,200 new claims processors to reduce the claims backlog and ensure veterans receive care and payment in a timely manner. It also makes significant investments in medical research and information technology. As the representative of a predominantly rural district, I am aware that more than 40 percent of veterans live in rural areas. This bill invests \$440 million to improve access to care for these veterans, who often have to travel long distances to receive care.

Madam Chair, this bill takes care of those who are keeping America safe. I urge my colleagues to join me in support of H.R. 3082, to fulfill our continued obligations to our nation's military.

RECOGNIZING DR. KAP JOON NO

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dr. Kap Joon No. Dr. No, a first generation Korean, is a medical doctor at Swedish Covenant Hospital in Chicago and is a well-known and well-respected member of the Korean-American community.

Dr. No served as the past president of the Arirang Lions Club, to which he is still an active member. The Arirang Lions Club has held an annual picnic for Korean adoptees and their families for over 30 years and have within recent years started organizing trips for adoptees to visit Korea through a partnership with their sister club in Seoul.

Dr. No has been also been instrumental in coordinating a free health clinic annually,

where over 400 community members are able to receive medical diagnosis and treatment that they would not otherwise receive. Additionally, through his own private medical practice Dr. No personally assists those in need. Not only is Dr. No committed to serving the community, his wife and his two daughters, both of whom are in medical school, are just as dedicated to helping those in need.

We may never be able to thank Dr. No and his family enough for the time and finances they have selflessly dedicated to others in need and we are not the first to recognize his humanitarianism and concern for others. Last year, The Chicago Sun-Times named Dr. No one of the "50 People Who Make Chicago a Better Place" due to his outstanding service. To further add to his distinctions, I would like to formally recognize Dr. No and his family's dedication to those in need and his service as a hero of the local community.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 2 Natural Resource Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, 72205

Description of Request: When the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) built the dams that created Bull Shoals and Norfolk lakes, the primary purpose of those dams was to provide flood control, hydroelectric power, and municipal and industrial water supplies. Providing adequate water flow below each dam to protect fish and wildlife habitat was not a consideration. Once the dams were constructed, the water releases were much colder than what was previously in the warm-water stream. Consequently, with the exception of certain minnows, none of the previous species of the fish could survive in the changed environment. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (AGFC) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service determined that trout could survive in the newly formed cold-water rivers and began stocking brown, rainbow and cutthroat trout. As the economics of energy and power generation changed over the years, the Corps changed dam operations from continual to peaking (i.e. when demand is highest). As a result, low-water events at certain times of the years are much longer destabilizing the in-stream environment for trout and other aquatic life in the rivers. An increase in minimum flow to the desired levels would provide many benefits for both fish and wildlife in Arkansas, including mitigating high water temperatures in the summer that stress or sometimes kill trout by flushing fresher, cold water into rivers during low-water intervals; and increasing water flows that could improve dissolved oxygen, a

critical factor in fall and winter when low oxygen levels can leave trout gasping on the surface near dams. The COE will use \$7,500,000 to address this issue.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: General Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 811 Fayetteville Avenue, Alma, Arkansas, 72921

Description of Request: \$500,000 in funding for the Pine Mountain Dam project will be used to assist cities and counties in the western River Valley conduct extensive studies and environmental analysis for long-term planning to meet the needs of the region's rapidly growing population. These studies will be used by state and federal environmental agencies to determine feasibility for long-term projects.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN BOOZMAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 119 Ozark Hall, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 72701

Description of Request: \$1,500,000 is requested to support the continued development of advanced power electronics equipment at NCREPT. The University of Arkansas brings expertise on power electronics and power grid applications that does not currently exist in these efforts.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Federal Highway Administration—Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Austin

Address of Requesting Entity: 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701

Description of Request: I have secured \$500,000 for the City of Austin to deploy their Intelligent Transportation System. It is my understanding that the City of Austin has developed an intelligent transportation systems (ITS) deployment plan as part of its efforts to improve mobility information for residents, reduce congestion, improve mobility and improve air quality. Specific components of the system include: a traffic and transportation website with live streaming capabilities; variable message boards that inform drivers of traffic congestion, accidents, and other emergencies ahead, and alert drivers to alternate

available routes; surveillance and detection cameras to monitor live roadway conditions, provide public access to special event and road closure information, detect traffic incidents quickly, and manage traffic control signalization remotely. The City of Austin will match any federal funds that the delegation secures for this project. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Federal Transit Administration—Buses and Bus Facilities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: San Antonio VIA Metropolitan Transit

Address of Requesting Entity: 800 W. Myrtle San Antonio, TX 78212

Description of Request: I have secured \$750,000 for the San Antonio VIA Metropolitan Transit to build and design a Park & Ride Facility in the area of US 281 and North Loop 1604. The rapid and continuing growth in this sector of the city has outpaced the capacity of existing transit facilities in the area. In the last few years, VIA has introduced an express route, providing a direct transit connection between the US 281/Loop 1604 area and the downtown central business district. The proposed facility will sit on seven (7) acres and include 572 parking spaces, with approximately 4 bus routes operating through the facility. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. MCKEON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding Member priority requests I received as part of H.R. 3183, the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010."

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Army Corps of Engineers—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Castaic Lake Water Agency

Address of Requesting Entity: 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$1,100,000 to help implement the fully authorized cleanup of perchlorate groundwater contamination at the former Whittaker-Bermite site (a former U.S. military munitions testing location) in the City of Santa Clarita. This site has both soil and groundwater contamination from years of chemical exposure during ordinance testing.

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Department of Energy (DOE)—Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: College of the Canyons

Address of Requesting Entity: 26455 Rockwell Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$500,000 for the College of the Canyons and its academic partners Alternative Energy Training Institute. The Institute would use the funding to create and expand degree and training programs focused on alternative energies and to coordinate economic and workforce development strategies with local and regional governments, universities, community colleges, workforce investment systems, and private industry. Programs would include solar and wind energy, green construction, energy management, and LEED certification.

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Department of Energy (DOE)—Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: California State University San Bernardino

Address of Requesting Entity: 5500 University Parkway, San Bernardino, CA 92407

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$200,000 for California State University, San Bernardino to purchase scientific equipment (e.g., telescope) for a state-of-the-art teaching and research observatory. The observatory would help meet the need for an increase in science and math competency and education and teacher preparation. Additionally, as a minority-serving university, CSUSB's observatory would be fundamental to an innovative undergraduate physics and astronomy curriculum for improving minority access to careers in astronomy and astrophysics.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately I missed recorded votes on the House floor on Monday, July 13, 2009.

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall vote No. 530 (On Motion to Adjourn).

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. PAULSEN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on member requests, I am submitting the following information regarding congressionally directed appropriations projects I sponsored as part of H.R. 3183, FY 2010 Energy and Water Appropriations Bill.

Account: Corps of Engineers Construction
Requesting entity: The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD)

Address: 18202 Minnetonka Blvd. Deephaven, MN 55391

Description of Project Request: Funding will be used for the Painter Creek project, which aims to restore the hydrology and ecological function to a major drainage way discharging into Lake Minnetonka. Painter Creek was straightened and many of the adjacent wetlands were drained for agricultural uses in the early 1900s. The project focuses on restoring those wetlands, increasing the habitat value, and positively affecting water quality, flood damage reduction, and erosion. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks as well as in accordance with Clause 9 of Rule XXI, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmark I received as part of H.R. 3183—the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman PHIL GINGREY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District

Address of Requesting Entity: 100 W. Oglethorpe Ave., Savannah, GA 31401

Description of Request: The \$2,000,000 in construction funding will be used to begin construction of the Savannah Harbor Expansion Program. While the Record of Decision will not be signed until mid-2010, these funds can be used for final pre-construction monitoring and engineering design of the channel and mitigation components for the project. Additionally, these funds will be needed immediately after project approval for negotiation of the Project Partnership Agreement. Construction contracts cannot be awarded prior to the completion of this agreement.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BOB GOODLATTE

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. GOODLATTE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, FY2010 Departments of Energy and Water Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman BOB GOODLATTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers/City of Roanoke, VA

Address of Requesting Entity: 215 Church Street, Roanoke, Virginia

Description of Request: \$1,075,000 to continue construction of a flood control plan that includes 6 miles of channel widening.

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 803 Front Street, Norfolk, VA 23510

Description of Request: The purpose of the Section 216 Study, \$300,000, is to verify that the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality's draft total maximum daily load Gathright Dam flow modifications, along with additional proposed nutrient reductions, will correct the impairment of the Jackson River without adversely affecting the approved functions of Gathright Dam/Lake Moomaw.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Department of Education—Elementary & Secondary Education

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: New Braunfels Independent School District

Address of Requesting Entity: 430 W. Mill Street, New Braunfels, TX 78130

Description of Request: I have secured \$350,000 for the Texas State University to implement Texas Mathworks at the New Braunfels Independent School District. It is my understanding that funding of the project would enable Texas Mathworks to provide NBISD with specialized training for teachers in math and impact 600 students during the school year. Texas Mathworks is a center for mathematics education formed by Texas State University System to develop model programs and self-sustaining learning communities that engage Texas K–12 students in doing mathematics at a high level. Texas Mathworks proves to be an effective model for engaging and retaining students' interest in math and science, enabling teachers to effectively teach it at the highest levels. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Department of Education—HRSA—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Eastside Eyecare Clinic, San Antonio, TX

Address of Requesting Entity: 2547 E. Commerce Street, San Antonio, TX 78203

Description of Request: I have secured \$250,000 for the Eastside Eyecare Clinic for facilities and equipment. It is my understanding that one hundred percent of the requested funding will be used to purchase equipment and technology for the clinical labs in the Eastside Eyecare Clinic and the School of Optometry. These labs will offer clinical optometry services, especially in the field of pediatric and geriatric optometric services. Federal investment in the proposed Eastside Eyecare Clinic will provide new and enhanced health services to a traditionally underserved population that is largely African-American, with a standard of living consistently below the poverty line. This initiative will also provide new educational opportunities in optometry to populations historically underrepresented in this field. In addition, the establishment of a Community Clinic in the East Side will have the extra benefit of spurring economic development in this long-impooverished area. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Department of Education—HRSA—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Address of Requesting Entity: 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229

Description of Request: I have secured \$150,000 for the University of Texas Health Science Center for facilities and equipment. It is my understanding that the funds will be spent on space development/renovations, faculty recruitment start-up costs, equipment purchases and maintenance, supplies and travel, and innovative discovery research seed projects. Understanding the pathogenesis and clinical management of airway diseases through basic science, clinical and translational research innovation and collaborations will provide important insights as to how to interrupt respiratory disease progression and improve health for many millions of Texas citizens and hundreds of millions throughout the U.S. and beyond. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Institute of Museum & Library Services—Museums and Libraries

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Witte Museum

Address of Requesting Entity: 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229

Description of Request: I have secured \$100,000 for the Witte Museum for exhibits and education outreach. It is my understanding that funding will be used to preserve and promote the culture and heritage of South Texas. To this end, the Witte is working closely with local educators to develop and refine programs and exhibits that will promote its mission by expanding educational outreach to its projected half million visitors; one third of whom are schoolchildren whose curriculum is interwoven with programs that align with

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, TEKS. The South Texas Heritage Center is but one component of the expansion with the appropriation request focused on promoting educational outreach by providing funding for the design and development of these exhibits, as well as, their fabrication and installation. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. KING of Iowa. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Bureau of Reclamation, Water and Related Resources

Amount: \$6,000,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lewis and Clark Regional Water System

Address of Requesting Entity: 401 E. 8th St., Suite 306, Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Description of Request: This funding will be used to continue construction of the The Lewis and Clark Regional Water System, the objective of which is to build and operate a tri-state water system that will provide high quality water to the region it will serve, which will improve the quality of life and expand economic development opportunities.

When completed, the Lewis & Clark Regional Water System will be a wholesale supplier of treated water to 20 cities and rural water systems in northwest Iowa, southeast South Dakota, and southwest Minnesota.

Lewis & Clark represents a unique regional approach by the three states and the 20 local sponsors to address common problems with area water resources in a more effective and cost-efficient way than each state, town, or rural water system could do alone. Regional water problems include shallow wells and aquifers prone to contamination and drought, compliance with new federal drinking water standards, and increasing water demand due to population growth and economic expansion. Indeed, recently a cheese factory, which created many jobs, opened in Hull, Iowa, which many have suggested would not have been possible without the emergency connection built to the town to support their recent growth.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers, Section 206

Amount: \$0—It is a named project

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Address of Requesting Entity: 205 E. 9th St., Des Moines, IA 50319

Description of Request: Any funding secured will be used to continue the joint project

between the Storm Lake Improvement Group, The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to improve the aquatic species habitat in the Storm Lake watershed and to restore the wetland function of Little Storm Lake.

The 190 acre Little Storm Lake is located in the northwest corner of Storm Lake in Storm Lake, Iowa. Little Storm Lake originally had the ability to remove much of the sediment from incoming waters. Unfortunately, the ability to accomplish these tasks has dwindled due to the reduced vegetative diversity. Rehabilitating the ecosystem will require addressing loss of native plant communities, nutrient and sediment loading, and resuspension.

Restoration of the wetland function of the Little Storm Lake is an essential component of the Storm Lake restoration project, which has been undertaken to improve the water quality of Storm Lake. The water quality of Storm Lake is vital to the local community as annual visitors to the lake spent an average of \$10.14 million annually that in turn supports 728 jobs and \$9.79 million of labor income in the region.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, EERE

Amount: \$500,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Western Iowa Tech Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 4647 Stone Avenue, Sioux City, IA 51106

Description of Request: These funds will be used to help develop the Wind Energy program of study at Western Iowa Tech Community College, including the acquisition of equipment and technology for the design of the wind power engineering curriculum at the College. Federal funds will be used to purchase a wind turbine and laboratory equipment for technician skills training. The funding will help to provide an enhanced training program designed to attract, retain, and develop skills and competencies at the technician level to maintain and grow the economic competitiveness of the wind energy industries.

Training will encompass understanding the design of a wind farm and the electricity power grid; the erection of wind turbines; wiring the turbines to the electric power grid; and scheduling and performing routine maintenance on the turbines' electrical components and columns.

This project will build Western Iowa Tech Community College's capacity to increase the pipeline of workers for the Wind Energy industry. As a result of this project, the College will have the ability to prepare up to 33 degree-seeking workers annually for employment in the industry. The overarching impact is to increase the educational attainment and skills levels of area residents by positioning them for careers as technicians in the Wind Energy industry.

The development of this program at WIT will also add to local economic development efforts to continue to attract additional employers within the wind energy industry to the region.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TOM COLE

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, for FY2010

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title III

Account: DOE—EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: "The University of Oklahoma"

Address of Requesting Entity: 660 Parrington Oval, Norman OK 73019

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for \$500,000.00 to develop technologies for improved, highly efficient processes for production of biomass-derived liquid fuels compatible with the existing fuels infrastructure. The specific initial research projects will focus on critical aspects of an integrated process for thermochemical/catalytic conversion of lignocellulosic biomass to green gasoline and diesel, and chemicals—i.e., hydrocarbons compatible with the existing fuels and chemicals infrastructure. Such a process will make use of our State's agricultural resources to provide environmentally improved fuels that will significantly increase domestic fuel supplies to meet growing demand without increasing dependence on imported petroleum feedstocks.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title III

Account: DOE—Fossil Energy R&D

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: "The University of Oklahoma"

Address of Requesting Entity: 660 Parrington Oval, Norman OK 73019

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for \$500,000.00 for new technology in the form of next generation microemulsion technology now exists to increase the production from these fields and recover as much as an additional 30 percent of this oil. By bringing this technology to the small, independent oil producers who produce most of our domestic onshore oil, we can significantly slow the decrease in US domestic oil production, reduce oil imports, improve the US balance of trade, and create tens of thousands of new, high paying jobs, without drilling in environmentally sensitive areas.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I

Account: Corps of Engineers—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 1645 South 101 East Ave. Tulsa, OK 74128

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$3,000,000.00 to fund the modernizing the 1976/78 Corps of Engineers Lake Texoma Master Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, and 1996 Shoreline Management Plan is crit-

ical to future regional development. Expedited federal funding to update these critical plans will greatly enable resolution of critical interstate and intrastate water use issues and effective and balanced planning, zoning and development around Lake Texoma. The updated Master and related plans will involve public and business participation and will be essential to manage future development and different interests in the Lake Texoma and surrounding areas.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma Water Resources board

Address of Requesting Entity: 3800 North Classen Blvd., OK 73118

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$300,000.00 to conduct a study. Area covers a 29 county area in southeast Oklahoma, including the Kiamichi River Basin and other tributaries of the Red River. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board signed the FCSA in July 2001, halted the study in 2002 due to a lack of State funds, but requested restarting the study and focusing the study on stream flows, habitat analysis and water supply. Study results will be integrated into the OK State Comprehensive Water Planning initiative.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma Water Resources board

Address of Requesting Entity: 3800 North Classen Blvd., OK 73118

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000.00 to conduct a feasibility study to develop a Washita River Watershed management plan.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the House passed version of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. GRESHAM BARRETT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title II, Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of South Carolina Aiken

Address of Requesting Entity: 471 University Parkway, Aiken SC 29801

Description of Request: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide \$456,000 for the University of South Carolina Aiken, USCA, Biofuels Laboratory in Aiken SC. A key element to solve U.S. energy supply problems is the development of renewable fuels such as hydrogen, and one of the most environ-

mentally friendly ways that hydrogen can be produced is biologically by bacteria. For the past year, the USC, with the support of the Aiken/Edgefield Economic Development Partnership has engaged in research at the Aiken County Center for Hydrogen Research to isolate and develop bacteria that generate large amounts of hydrogen. Also, USCA has been working on the process of embedding bacteria with high hydrogen production potentials into latex mats that can be used to produce hydrogen. The requested funds will enable USCA to become a full partner in the establishment of a bio-energy research center. Specifically, the funding will allow USCA to purchase equipment that will make it possible to screen hundreds of bacterial isolates in a short period of time and to fund a full-time laboratory technician. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. GRESHAM BARRETT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title II, Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Clemson University

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 Brackett Hall, Box 5702, Clemson University, Clemson SC 29634

Description of Request: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide \$1,000,000 for the construction and operation of the Clemson University Cellulosic Biofuel Pilot Plant to be built in Charleston, SC. As our nation looks to expand our renewable energy portfolio, this funding would be used to construct and operate a pilot plant at a brownfield industrial site in Charleston SC, to scale-up commercially viable technology for conversion of cellulosic feedstocks from the coastal plains, i.e. trees, wood residuals, and row crops, to bio-fuels and other higher value products. Clemson has partnered with the Savannah River National Laboratory and South Carolina State University to bring together complimentary strengths that support a vertically integrated systems approach addressing issues from feedstock to consumer distribution. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. GRESHAM BARRETT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I, Corps of Engineers Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District

Address of Requesting Entity: 100 W. Oglethorpe Ave., Savannah GA 31401

Description of Request: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide \$1,000,000 for Phase II of the Savannah River Basin Comprehensive Study. Section 414 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 (PL 104-303) authorized a Savannah River Basin Comprehensive Water Resources Study in order to develop an updated plan addressing current and future needs in the basin, examine reallocation of storage at Corps of Engineers multi-purpose projects, and to develop a better management structure to address basin water resources issues. The study was initiated in 2000 upon agreement by the Corps and the states of Georgia and South Carolina. However, federal funding for this project has not

been appropriated by Congress since fiscal year 2006, and Phase II of the study has yet to be completed. The completion of the second phase of the Comprehensive Study will generate new operating guidelines for the allocation of the water stored at the three Federal reservoirs in the Savannah River basin, possibly changing the water allocations for hydro-power, water supply, and flood damage reduction. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GREGG HARPER

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. HARPER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman GREGG HARPER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: EERE—Biomass and Biorefinery Systems R&D

Project Name: Sustainable Energy Research Center

Recipient and Address: Mississippi State University, P.O. Box 9632, Mississippi State 39762

Amount: \$1,500,000

Description: The goal of the Sustainable Energy Research Center, SERC, at Mississippi State University is to develop new engineering and scientific knowledge and to serve as a catalyst to create renewable transportation fuel industries in the Southeastern US. Renewable transportation fuel platforms under development by SERC include bio-oil, biocrude, and syngas to gasoline. All of these fuels focus on the use of non-food, lignocellulosic feedstock, especially woody biomass.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF
DAVID O. FRAZIER

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of David O. Frazier, actor, singer, author and lyricist, on the occasion of his 70th birthday, and in recognition of his recent induction into the Cleveland Playhouse Hall of Fame for Outstanding Achievement in Theatre.

Mr. Frazier began his entertainment career as a child, under the instruction of piano teacher Nelly Kelly, the aunt of Princess Grace of Monaco. During his teenage years, he learned about hard work by picking cotton in Texas. As a young man, fate guided him to Cleveland, where he began his professional career at the Cleveland Playhouse. Mr. Frazier has appeared in over 150 productions. Moreover, Mr. Frazier's unwavering commitment and advocacy on behalf of the arts was a crit-

ical factor in saving the Cleveland Playhouse from demolition. His appearance in the record-breaking two and a half year run in the production of "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris" at the Playhouse Square Foundation stopped the demolition of and revived Cleveland's five historic theatre houses. Today, Playhouse Square is the second largest performing arts complex in the nation.

Mr. Frazier has performed on private and public stages around the world, singing, dancing and writing his way into the hearts of audiences ranging from accomplished writers and actors, heads of state, and thousands of theatre patrons. He co-wrote his one man show, "Conversations with an Irish Rascal," with his partner and collaborator of more than thirty years, Joe Garry. Together, Mr. Frazier and Mr. Garry have co-written and co-produced fifteen original musicals. Mr. Frazier also appeals to young audiences in his starring role on NBC's children series, "Hickory Hideout," for which he was awarded an Emmy Award.

Madam Speaker Colleagues, please join me in honor of Mr. David O. Frazier, whose passion for music, limitless talent and unwavering dedication to the theatre has served as a source of entertainment and inspiration for audiences in Cleveland, Ohio and throughout the world. Furthermore, his dedication to promoting and preserving theatre in Cleveland has enriched the diverse culture of the entire community. I wish Mr. Frazier a very happy birthday and congratulations on his induction to the Cleveland Playhouse Hall of Fame.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PETER HOEKSTRA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. HOEKSTRA. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding that will benefit the Second Congressional District of Michigan as part of H.R. 3183.

Requesting Member: Congressman PETE HOEKSTRA

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Detroit District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 477 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226-2550

Description of Request: Provide \$170,000 for operations and maintenance of Arcadia Harbor. Provide \$185,000 for operations and maintenance of Pentwater Harbor. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance account.

HONORING GARRETT MARK JONES

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Garrett Mark Jones, a very special young man who has exemplified the

finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 360, and in earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Garrett has been very active with his troop participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Garrett has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Garrett Mark Jones for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING COLONEL VAN R.
MAYHALL ON THE OCCASION OF
HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BILL CASSIDY

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CASSIDY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to lead the 111th Congress of the United States of America in honoring Colonel Van R. Mayhall, USAR (Ret.), on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

Born near Baton Rouge, Louisiana on July 24, 1919, Van Robinson Mayhall has lived in Baton Rouge nearly all his 90 years. In fact, the longest he was ever away from home was while fighting to defend America overseas. Colonel Mayhall graduated from Catholic High School and attended Louisiana State University until the outbreak of World War II. He joined the Louisiana National Guard at age 17, and in December 1941, after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, enlisted in the United States Army. He rose to the rank of Captain in the European Theater, serving as aide to General William Weaver and seeing combat in France and Germany, including the Battle of Hurtgen Forest and the Battle of the Bulge. In recognition of his courageous service in combat, Colonel Mayhall received numerous awards and honors, including the Bronze Star and the Silver Star for his bravery under enemy fire. Colonel Mayhall was honorably discharged from the Army following the war, and his commitment to his community and his country continued. Then-Captain Mayhall remained in the Army Reserves until retirement, achieving the rank of Colonel.

After his five year deployment, he was reunited with his wife, Marie Roques Mayhall, with whom he raised five children, fourteen grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren, with one more on the way. He fully dedicated himself to the Baton Rouge community, volunteering on behalf of his church, military and veterans groups, and charitable organizations. In 1999, his own World War II memoir, *Cranking Up A Fine War*, was released and received favorable reviews. In 2006, in recognition of an extraordinary lifetime of service and achievements, he was inducted into the Louisiana Veterans' Hall of Honor.

Colonel Mayhall's life is a testament to the spirit of the Greatest Generation. It is also an ongoing tribute to his brothers in arms who never returned home to live the American dream as Colonel Mayhall has. It is a great honor that the position to which I have been elected offers me the opportunity to lead the Congress of the United States of America, on

the occasion of Colonel Van R. Mayhall's 90th birthday, in expressing the respect, admiration and thanks of a grateful Nation for his service to his country, as well as a very happy birthday on July 24, 2009.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROY BLUNT

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BLUNT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Department of Energy and Water Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2010.

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy EERE

Project Title: MARET Center

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Crowder College

Address of Requesting Entity: 601 Laclede Ave., Neosho, MO 64850

Description of Request: \$1.5 million will be used toward design, engineering and construction at the MARET Center. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because the funding will be used in part to fund the new center which will be for delivery of new business and incubator services and education and training programs in renewable construction technologies and renewable energy. As we know, the building sector consumes 48 percent of the nation's energy. Programs like the MARET Center will help lower both usage and cost.

Account: Department of Energy EERE

Project Title: Natural Gas Fueling Facility

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Springfield, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: 840 N. Boonville, Springfield, MO 65802

Description of Request: \$700,000 was included in the bill to construct a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fuel station for use by Local, County and State agencies to refuel CNG vehicles. The use of taxpayer funds is justified because this is a cost effective way to fuel government vehicles while reducing dependency on foreign oil.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. ROONEY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Five of my requests were funded in this bill, and all are previously Congressionally authorized projects.

\$350,000: St. Lucie Inlet, Martin County, FL. The entity to receive the funds for the project is Martin County, FL located at 2401 S.E. Monterey Road, Stuart, FL 34996. The funding will go to a Congressionally authorized project to dredge the inlet. This project is funded

through the Army Corps of Engineers Operations and Maintenance Account.

\$1,000,000: St. Lucie County, FL, Fort Pierce Beach. The entity to receive the funds for the project is St. Lucie County, FL located at 2300 Virginia Ave, Fort Pierce, FL 34982. The funding will be used on a Congressionally authorized project to restore the beaches severely degraded by jetties which protect the federally-maintained inlet. This project is funded through the Army Corps of Engineers Investigations Account.

\$350,000: Martin County, FL. The entity to receive the funds for the project is Martin County, FL located at 2401 S.E. Monterey Road, Stuart, FL 34996. The funding will be used for the federally authorized Hutchinson Island Shore Protection Project that provides for a protective berm and storm dune and periodic nourishment of the restored beach. This project is funded through the Army Corps of Engineers Construction Account.

\$130,000,000: Herbert Hoover Dike. The entity to receive funding for the project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 701 San Marco Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32207. The Dike is a federally maintained structure that is currently undergoing rehabilitation to ensure the continued safety of the communities around the lake. This project is funded through the Army Corps of Engineers Construction Account.

\$210,239,000 South Florida Everglades Ecosystem Restoration, FL. Of this total, about \$22,000,000 is for the Indian River Lagoon which Representative Rooney requested. The entity to receive funding for this project is the South Florida Water Management District located at 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406. The Indian River Lagoon-South Project was authorized in WRDA 2007 as a component of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan. The project will help clean and restore the fragile ecosystem and is a 50/50 partnership with the state and local agencies. This project is funded through the Army Corps of Engineers Construction Account.

All of my projects are Congressionally authorized and go only to public government agencies.

HONORING MR. DONALD K. ALLEN

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. RYAN of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I am submitting the obituary of man that contributed much to our community and did so in so many ways. He was a friend, a supporter and an example to all of us.

NILES—Donald K. Allen, 79, Niles, died at 6:15 a.m. Friday, March 28, 2008, at the Hospice House in Poland, following an extended illness.

Mr. Allen was born Feb. 4, 1929, in New Martinsville, W.Va., a son of the late Harold Roy and Ruby Mason Allen.

He was a graduate of Magnolia High School, where he was a four-year football letter winner and captain of his 1946 football squad. He recently received the Magnolia High School Alumni Life Achievement Award, honoring student athletes from their era. Following high school, he went on to

Youngstown College on a football scholarship. He also attended Northwestern University.

Donald served in the U.S. Army as a sergeant during the Korean Conflict, and went on to serve in the National Guard for 17 years.

He was employed at the Niles Police Department in 1954 as a patrolman. Donald was the owner and operator of Associated Research Consultants as a Licensed Polygraph Operator. He then went on to work at Republic Steel in the Production Planning and Transportation Department. He continued to serve for 20 years as the president of the office and clerical Union Local 6824. Donald proudly served under Mayor Ralph Infante's administration since 1992. First serving as safety director and presently as service director for the City of Niles.

His memberships include: Past member of the United Way Charity Committee; former member of the Niles Football Frontliners; 58-year member of the Niles McKinley Lodge 794 of Free and Accepted Masons, where he was a 32nd degree mason; Past worthy president and 47 year member of the Niles Eagles Aerie 1476, where he was given the honor of the Golden Eagle; Ben Lin Club member; Charter member ITAM Post 39; American Legion Post 106; 40-year member of the Niles Moose Lodge 627; and Niles Moose Legion 87; past commissioner for Niles Youth Baseball League; lifetime member of the Niles Men's Democratic Club and Former Trumbull County Democratic Central committeeman for 28 years.

His loving wife, Edna Mae Sheets Allen, whom he married Dec. 1, 1951, passed away after 46 years of marriage on Nov. 14, 1997.

Survivors include a son, William, and his wife, Karen Infante Allen of Niles; two granddaughters, Jennifer and Melanie Allen.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Bruce and Robert Allen; three sisters, Wilma Games, Maxine Tackett, and Beulah Hawkins.

Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Monday at Lane Funeral Home, Niles Chapel, 415 Robbins Ave. Calling hours will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Niles City Cemetery.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Hospice House, 9803 Sharrott Road, Poland, Ohio, 44514.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DAVID DREIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. DREIER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Requesting Member: Congressman DAVID DREIER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Bureau of Reclamation, Water and Related Resources

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority

Address of Requesting Entity: 1720 West Cameron Avenue, Suite #100, West Covina, California 91790

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$4,000,000 for the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund to continue the design, construction, and operation of water projects to contain

and treat the spreading groundwater contamination in the San Gabriel and Central Water Basins. The San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority was established by California State law under SB1679 in 1993 to develop, finance and implement groundwater treatment programs in the San Gabriel Basin and act as a clearinghouse for federal funds that have been appropriated for these programs. The project is authorized in P.L. 106–554 and this request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Bureau of Reclamations Water and Related Resources account. The current authorization ceiling for the Restoration Fund has yet to be reached, with roughly \$4,000,000 yet to be appropriated. The San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority will provide a minimum of a 35% cost share which will come directly from the Water Quality Authority.

Requesting Member: Congressman DAVID DREIER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Bureau of Reclamation, Water and Related Resources

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Address of Requesting Entity: 6075 Kimball Avenue, Chino, California 91710

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$100,000 for the Inland Empire Regional Water Recycling Project. Construction of the project is underway, and FY 2010 funding will be used 50% for purple pipe and 50% for storage tanks. When complete, the project will yield 100,000 acre feet of new recycled water annually. The project is authorized in P.L. 108–361, Title 1, Section 103(d)(3) and additional specific authorization is provided in P.L. 110–161, Sec. 210. The total project cost is \$226 million. As is consistent with law, the federal share is capped at \$20 million, which is less than 10% of the total cost of the project.

Requesting Member: Representative DAVID DREIER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, General Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Los Angeles County Flood Control District

Address of Requesting Entity: 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91802

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$600,000 to continue a feasibility study and ultimately a watershed management plan which will focus on the restoration of the natural hydrologic function of the watershed and the management of water resources and water quality improvement including habitat and recreational resource restoration. The estimated total project cost is \$2.7 million with more than 50% provided by local, non-federal funds.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

Project Name: Auburn University, Biomass to Liquid Fuels and Electric Power Research
Requesting Member: Congressman JO BONNER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Auburn University

Address of Requesting Entity: 102 Samford Hall, Auburn, Alabama 36849

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$1,500,000 to help solve our energy and security needs by creating renewable options for electrical power and liquid transportation fuel. Approximately, \$375,000 [or 25%] of the funding will be used to provide laboratory analytical equipment; \$375,000 [or 25%] will be used for laboratory personnel; \$750,000 [or 50%] will be used for operations and maintenance expenses for conducting feedstock research, operation of fractionation, gasification, and gas-to-liquids production studies. The total project cost is \$13,750,000; this particular phase will cost a total of \$4,000,000. The Center for Bioenergy and Bioproducts has recently commissioned several unique research facilities dedicated to processing biomass feedstocks and converting them into liquid fuels, electrical power, and higher value chemicals. This proposed initiative will capitalize on this infrastructure investment by using systems-based approaches to develop bioenergy solutions based primarily on forest residues, previously unmarketable small-diameter trees, and other underutilized woody biomass feedstocks. Alabama has been a leader in the nation in biomass fuel and this project will allow the continued research and development of this renewable fuel source.

Project Name: Western Baldwin County, AL Grid Interconnection

Requesting Member: Congressman JO BONNER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Utilities Board of the City of Foley, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: 413 East Laurel Avenue, Foley, AL 36535

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to this public utility to construct a new interconnection point to the transmission grid for the purpose of providing additional electric capacity and increased reliability to a rapidly growing section of southwest Alabama. \$500,000 [or 100%] will be used to purchase transformers, arresters, breakers, regulators and other equipment. The total estimated cost of this project is \$2,500,000 and the Utilities Board of the City of Foley will provide approximately 80 percent of required funding. Project will provide stability and recovery of the electric system in the event of a natural disaster and will employ at least 20–30 contract employees.

Project Name: Alabama River Lakes, AL
Requesting Member: Congressman JO BONNER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Operations & Maintenance
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: Mobile District, Mobile, AL 36602

Description of Request: Provide an earmark (which was also requested by The President

in his FY 2010 annual Corps priorities) in the amount of \$16,785,000 to the U.S. Corps of Engineers to fund annual operations and maintenance at Alabama River Lakes including the old Alabama-Coosa, Millers Ferry Lock and Dam, Robert F. Henry Lock and Dam, the Claiborne Lock and Dam, and 315 miles of navigational channels. \$16,785,000 [or 100%] of funding will be used to provide dredging of the Alabama River navigation channel to its authorized depths of nine feet deep and 200 feet wide. These dimensions will allow the waterways to accommodate fully-loaded barges of 1500 tons per barge or greater. A lack of dredging reduces the efficiency of a tow as silt reduces channel depths reducing the loading capacity of barges which in turn increases the costs of transportation. Funding will be used to ensure the economic viability of the waterways will accommodate economic development projects along the waterways in Alabama.

Project Name: Mobile Harbor, AL
Requesting Member: Congressman JO BONNER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Operations & Maintenance
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: Mobile District, Mobile, AL 36602

Description of Request: Provide an earmark (which was also requested by The President in his FY 2010 annual Corps priorities) in the amount of \$23,996,000 to the U.S. Corps of Engineers to fund annual operations and maintenance of the Mobile Harbor. \$23,996,000 [or 100%] will be used for dredging of the channels in keeping with the Corps of Engineers' requirements to ensure depth is adequate for ships that utilize the harbor. The Mobile Harbor will help support economic development of the entire state of Alabama, Florida panhandle, southern half of Mississippi and western Tennessee through increased international trade and support. Current vessel traffic supports a new container terminal, McDuffie Coal Terminal, and two raw material terminals supporting Alabama's steel production. Funding will assist in keeping the harbor dredged and operational not only to large ships from the Gulf of Mexico but also for the barges that utilize the waterways north of Mobile, Alabama. Post hurricane-Katrina, the Alabama State Port has become the tenth largest port in the United States.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CHARLES W. BOUSTANY, JR.

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BOUSTANY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. These earmarks are contained in H.R. 3183:

Calcasieu River, Mile 5.0–14.0, Cameron Parish

Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, CAP 204

Purpose: An earmark prioritizing the Calcasieu River, Mile 5.0–14.0, Cameron Parish project within the Corps CAP 204 program. Funds will be used to complete the design and implementation phase for the beneficial use of dredged materials project along the Calcasieu River. The project provides for the placement of shoal material from the Calcasieu River, Mile 5 to Mile 14, into the Cameron Creole Prairie National Wildlife Refuge. Additional beneficiaries include the Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District and the users of the Calcasieu River Ship Channel.

Calcasieu Lock, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Investigations

Purpose: An earmark of \$1,000,000 to advance the authorized feasibility study for the Calcasieu Lock, LA project and to address economic and environmental studies. Traffic projections will provide the economic baseline expectations for future without project conditions. The benefit model will identify the inflection point for decision to shift shipping methods. The agricultural study will determine the benefits to agricultural areas from the improved drainage of the system. Once completed, these studies will form the basis for the justification of the project. The completion of feasibility will be necessary upon completion of the economic study. The Calcasieu Lock is a bottleneck on the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway system in Louisiana, causing delays in transportation and interstate commerce.

LCA—Ecosystems Restoration, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, General Investigations

Purpose: An earmark of \$20,000,000 to advance the studies for the authorized Louisiana Coastal Area (LCA) Ecosystems Restoration, LA project. Funds will be used to begin BBBSR PED; conclude 1 feasibility study; and continue 10 studies. The Mississippi River Hydrology Study/Delta Mgt feature will continue to be a priority and will include the hydrodynamics of the watershed of the Atchafalaya River. In accordance with the Water Resources Development Act, decision documents will be submitted to the ASA. Additional beneficiaries include residents of Louisiana.

Bayou Teche & Vermilion River, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Purpose: An earmark of \$15,000 for the authorized Bayou Teche & Vermilion River, LA project. Funding will be used for surveys.

Bayou Teche, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Purpose: An earmark of \$200,000 for the authorized Bayou Teche, LA project. Funding will be used for hydrographic surveys, real estate activities, P&S and environmental clearances.

Calcasieu River and Pass, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Purpose: An earmark of \$17,968,000 for the authorized Calcasieu River and Pass, LA project. Funds are needed to keep international commerce moving without delays and light loadings. Funds will be used to operate, repair and maintain the Calcasieu River channel, dredge the bar channel, dredge mile 5 to 17 and Devil's Elbow, master plans, and maintenance of dredged material disposal facilities. Additional funds would be used to dredge the bar channel and Mile 17 to 29, foreshore rock dikes, construction and major rehabilitation of new disposal area per Dredged Material Management Program.

Freshwater Bayou, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Purpose: An earmark of \$2,235,000 for the authorized Freshwater Bayou, LA project. The lock is crucial to support offshore oil industry to provide the necessary fuel, supplies and food to offshore oil platforms in the Gulf of Mexico, and also to support commercial fishing. The funds will be used for operations and maintenance and to dredge two critical reaches to support the energy infrastructure along the Freshwater Bayou, LA.

Mermentau River, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Purpose: An earmark of \$1,913,000 for the authorized Mermentau River, LA project. Funding will be used to dredge and continue ongoing repairs along the Mermentau River, including operations of Catfish Point and Schooner Bayou Control Structures, maintenance of the control structures, including water control data systems, real estate, and dredge Mermentau Bar Channel, and boathouse replacement at the Catfish Point Control Structure.

Southwest Coastal Louisiana Hurricane Protection, LA
Member requesting funds: CHARLES BOUSTANY, Jr., MD (LA–07)

Entity receiving funds: US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, 7400 Leake Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70118

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Investigations

Purpose: An earmark of \$1,000,000 to advance the authorized Southwest Coastal Louisiana Hurricane Protection, LA project. The Corps is directed to expedite the study under

the Water Resources Development Act of 2007. The funds will be used to continue the feasibility phase. Activities include plan formulation, hydrology and hydraulic analyses, economic inventory, environmental analyses.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CAMP. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership's standards on Member spending requests, I am submitting the following information regarding the spending request I submitted that is contained in H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Bill for FY 2010.

The entity to receive funding under the request is Spaulding Township, located at 5025 East Road, Saginaw, Michigan, 48601. The funding is to be allocated from the Army Corps of Engineers Section 205 Account, and will be used by the Army Corps of Engineers to complete construction of the north and south levees at the Cass River in Saginaw County between East M 13 and Sheridan Road. The existing levees (except for the portion completed in early 1999 by the Township) will be relocated away from the banks of the Cass River to create a floodway shelf for added capacity and for wetland mitigation. The Township has already contributed \$345,000 towards the project, and \$3,930,573 in federal funding is required in order to complete the project according to structural and safety guidelines required by Army Corps of Engineers.

The Cass River has flooded nearby homes and businesses in Spaulding Township on an almost semi-annual basis for the past 30 years. During some of these floods, traffic on major highways has been stopped, and at times has made emergency rescue services (fire and ambulance) impossible. The existing levees are in poor condition and portions appear to be unstable. In addition, the low top elevations of the existing levees do not adequately protect the area from flooding. Federal funds are therefore needed to mitigate a significant public health and safety risk to the residents of Spaulding Township.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TOM COLE

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3170—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Provision: Title V

Account: GSA—Operating Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma City National Memorial Foundation

Address of Requesting Entity: 620 N. Harvey, Oklahoma City, OK 73102, P.O. Box 323 Oklahoma City, OK 73101

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$1,000,000 to fund the Oklahoma City National Memorial Foundation's operation and maintenance cost associated with the Memorial Museum, as well as the execution of outreach and educational programs.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. HALL of Texas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman RALPH M. HALL

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Arkansas Red River Commission

Address of Requesting Entity: 4155 E. Clay St., Vicksburg, MS 39183

Description of Request: I have secured \$25,000 for the Red River Navigation Study, Southwest Arkansas, AR & LA with the Arkansas Red River Commission. Funding for this project will be to study alternatives for extending navigation from Shreveport, LA to Index, AR. I certify that I do not have any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman RALPH M. HALL

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Texas A&M University—Commerce

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 3011, Commerce, TX 75429

Description of Request: I have secured \$300,000 for the Advanced Artificial Science and Engineering Research Infrastructure with Texas A&M University at Commerce. Funding for this project will assist in the development of an advanced artificial science and engineering research infrastructure to facilitate innovative computational modeling and analysis of complex electromagnetic wave propagation phenomenologies. The objectives of this proposal are twofold: (1) to implement and operate a high-powered computing grid (a virtual computing environment) that will facilitate the solution of interdisciplinary computational and engineering models, and (2) to develop a computational model of complex electromagnetic wave transmission, propagation, and reception, and analyze that model using new Computational Science methods within the virtual computing environment. The research will be conducted in Hunt County, and will provide faculty and students with research and educational opportunities currently not available. Furthermore, the "grid" will be available for other universities and industries to utilize, thereby expanding the area of impact across the state. I certify that I do not have any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman RALPH M. HALL

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers, Tulsa District

Address of Requesting Entity: 1645 S. 101 East Ave., Tulsa, OK 74128

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,800,000 for the Red River Basin Chloride Control, TX & OK with the Corps of Engineers, Tulsa District. This project is designed to control natural chloride brine emissions at three major source areas to improve water quality for municipal, industrial, and agricultural use. Funding for this project will improve construction of low flow dams, pump stations, and diversion pipelines to Truscott Brine Dam. The Red River water quality will be improved so it can be used for irrigation, municipals and industries. I certify that I do not have any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. LATOURETTE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, The Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Fossil Energy R&D

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Technology Management Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 290 Alpha Dr., Highland Heights, Ohio 44143

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to be used to continue development of a scalable fuel cell system for distributed bioenergy generation. Technology Management Inc. has produced a fully functional fuel cell system—the size of an appliance—that can be installed and used to generate power through biofuels sufficient enough to power an Ohio farm. Funds would be dedicated to engineering prototypes for manufacturing.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Mentor-on-the-Lake

Address of Requesting Entity: 5860 Andrews Road, Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio 44060

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to be used to reconstruct a new storm sewer system along State Route 283. The system would help to eliminate flooding and reduce pollution of Lake Erie.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Fossil Energy R&D

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Parker Hannifin

Address of Requesting Entity: 9200 Tyler Blvd. Mentor, Ohio 44060

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$300,000 to be used to develop new adapt-

ive control technologies for combustion performance. This new technology will result in significant changes to combustor performance, allowing enhanced operability, increased fuel flexibility and increased life of engine components. The project will facilitate the use of syngas, a clean fuel, as a replacement for traditional fossil fuels to provide power in everything from a building generator to a power utility. Because fossil fuel-powered utilities are the greatest sources of greenhouse gas emissions, the use of syngas will have a positive impact on the environment.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lake County Department of Utilities

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 Main Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to be used to replace the county's existing lift station and forcemain, which is located under the Grand River. Replacement of the aging system would prevent flooding and potentially hazardous discharges into Lake Erie.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVEN C. LATOURETTE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—EERE
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Case Western Reserve University

Address of Requesting Entity: 10900 Euclid Avenue, Nord Hall Room 628, Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Description of Request: Provide an earmark in the amount of \$500,000 for the Great Lakes Institute for Energy Innovation at Case Western Reserve University for research, equipment and infrastructure to support the institute's regional work in alternative energy including wind, solar and smart grid systems. The work will support the nation's effort in developing green technologies.

BEAVER CREEK RESERVOIR PROJECT

HON. GLENN THOMPSON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The entity to receive funding is Clarion County Commissioners, 421 Main Street, Clarion, PA 16214, in the amount of \$100,000. Funding will be used to provide a major water source, recreation, aquatic, avian, ecological, and environmental education endeavors with the inclusion of a major water supply source (1.3 million gallons/day). Enhancements to the Clarion County Commerce Center (KOZ Zone) would be afforded a water supply for industrial growth in the western section of the county.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—the Energy and Water Development & Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman PETER T. KING

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Operations and Maintenance (O&M)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2109, New York, NY 10278

Description of Request: \$150,000 will be used to place one million cubic yards of sand along the shoreline several miles west of the inlet for erosion control at Gilgo Beach and Robert Moses State Park (Fire Island to Jones Inlet Project).

Requesting Member: Congressman PETER T. KING

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2109, New York, NY 10278

Description of Request: \$500,000 will be used to complete the design and initiate construction of the first contract of beach nourishment and maintenance project from Jones Inlet to East Rockaway Inlet (Long Beach).

Requesting Member: Congressman PETER T. KING

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2109, New York, NY 10278

Description of Request: \$5,800,000 will be used by the Army Corps of Engineers for the Fire Island Inlet to Montauk Point (FIMP) Project to complete the 3rd nourishment at Westhampton and 1st nourishment at Shinnecock, to continue required monitoring efforts, and to complete a reformulation study for the Fire Island to Montauk Point Project.

Requesting Member: Congressman PETER T. KING

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: FUSRAP

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Verizon Communications

Address of Requesting Entity: One Verizon Way, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

Description of Request: This report language will direct the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to complete a remedial investigation/feasibility study for the cleanup of the former Sylvania nuclear fuel site at Hicksville, New York, proceed to a record of decision and, if appropriate, initiate any necessary remediation in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA).

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmark I received as part of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Appropriations bill for FY 2010.

Project Name/Amount: Sustainable Algal Energy Production and Environmental Remediation, \$500,000

Requested by: ROBERT J. WITTMAN

Intended Recipient of Funds/Grantee: College of William and Mary P.O. Box 8795 Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795

Project description and explanation of the request: Algae yields substantial advantages over other bio-fuel crops toward the combined goals of renewability, sustainability, affordability, and environmental compatibility in an energy sustainable economy. A multi-disciplinary program plan and partnership are in development for a system to grow, harvest, and process wild algae into feedstock, to chemically convert the feedstock into fuels, and then to distribute the native algae-derived fuels to consumers. This program will be developed under leadership of the College of William and Mary (CWM), acting through its Virginia Institute for Marine Science (VIMS), the nation's third largest marine science organization, and the premier institute for coastal and estuary studies, working with the College's William and Mary Research Institute (WMRI), which provides access to 570 faculty members across the schools of the main campus. The envisioned commercial process has the potential to produce significantly higher efficiencies than other bio-fuel systems in development, based on mature, proven algae cultivation capabilities, while avoiding many land use issues of alternative algal methods. The target consumers of these fuels include all air and ground transportation and power production systems. This project will secure a number of new jobs for the district in the execution of the work, but the major benefits of bringing algal biofuels to the coast of Virginia will have an enormous impact on the state's economy while remediating long-standing environmental problems caused by nutrients in the watershed, rivers and estuarial run-off into the Chesapeake Bay. Funding will support production of 40 kg of Algal Oil and 200 kg of Algal Carbohydrate. Funding will also support design, development, and operation of a portable, water based, self contained harvesting system. Additionally, funding would develop a site screening and production forecasting computer model

Project Name/Amount: Regional Sediment Management Demonstration Program: Mathews County, VA, \$238,000

Requested by: ROBERT J. WITTMAN

Intended Recipient of Funds/Grantee: Norfolk District, Army Corps of Engineers 803 Front Street Norfolk, VA 23510

Project description and explanation of the request: Continue construction a sediment budget for the Mathews County, VA area and investigate utilization of dredge material from several local/adjacent federal navigation channels to address shoreline conditions along the

western shore of the Chesapeake Bay. The project is authorized by PL 110-114 Sec. 2037.

Project Name/Amount: Winter Harbor, Mathews County, VA, \$1,190,000

Requested by: ROBERT J. WITTMAN

Intended Recipient of Funds/Grantee: Norfolk District, Army Corps of Engineers 803 Front Street Norfolk, VA 23510

Project description and explanation of the request: Completion of authorized maintenance dredging activities authorized under the River and Harbor Act of 17 May 1950.

RECOGNITION OF THE MILLER GAS STATION ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MARY JO KILROY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Ms. KILROY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Miller gas station on its 50th anniversary. This family business has been serving the residents of my hometown in Ohio for five decades by offering the personal service and attention that is becoming rare and invaluable in an increasingly automated world.

Unlike most other gas stations in Ohio which are purely self-service, the Miller family gas station maintains a full-service pump. The Millers interact with customers on a daily basis, developing relationships that are necessary for the sense of connectedness and goodwill among members of a strong and spirited community. Residents of Upper Arlington return to the Millers' station time and again—some for many years—knowing they will receive exceptional service each time.

Eddie and Deanna Miller leased the station in 1959 and worked at the station for almost 25 years before they could own the business outright. The couple has served as an example of the American tradition of hard work and quality service, factors that have kept their business vibrant in instances of harsh economic conditions over the last fifty years. For the Millers, good service is not just a virtue of successful business, it is an enjoyable and fulfilling aspect of their work. Interaction with community members instills within their family a sense of pride in and responsibility toward the people of Upper Arlington.

This month as the family business celebrates its 50th anniversary Eddie and Deanna express confidence in their son Mike in carrying their family business forward for decades to come. I thank the Miller family and encourage them to continue their tradition of unique and valued service to the residents of Central Ohio.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BOB INGLIS

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. INGLIS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development

and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman BOB INGLIS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: EERE—Other

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of South Carolina

Address of Requesting Entity: 1218 Hender-son Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Description of Request: The purpose of the request is to continue the development and demonstration of a unique science and technology process to use waste heat from nuclear reactors to generate hydrogen using chemical processing combined with separation using PEM technology. This highly effective process will enable expanded and accelerated hydrogen production for energy sustainability and security for our society. The amount is \$300,000 and it would go to the University of South Carolina.

Requesting Member: Congressman BOB INGLIS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Clemson University

Address of Requesting Entity: 209 Sikes Hall, Clemson, South Carolina 29634

Description of Request: The purpose of the request is to continue the development of the Clemson University Cyberinstitute (CUCI) project which will assist research universities around the State of South Carolina to perform scientific research in nanotechnology, bioinformatics/computational biology, environment/ecology and global climate change. The project links South Carolina to a nation-wide backbone of world-class university research, industry partners and cutting-edge technology entrepreneurs. CUCI will serve as a conduit for a virtual research campus that brings together cyber resources and strengths from each of South Carolina's research institutions, including Clemson University, the Medical University of South Carolina, and the University of South Carolina. The amount is \$500,000 and it would go to Clemson University.

Requesting Member: Congressman BOB INGLIS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)—Biomass and Biorefinery Systems R&D

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Clemson University

Address of Requesting Entity: 209 Sikes Hall, Clemson, South Carolina 29634

Description of Request: The purpose of the request is to continue the development of a Cellulosic Biofuel Plant. Cellulosic ethanol comes from breaking down the lignin and hemi-cellulose shell in order to access plant sugars for fermentation into renewable fuel. It is estimated that cellulose conversion to ethanol can produce 800–1000 gallons of ethanol per acre (compared to 416/acre for corn). Capturing 20% of the state's gasoline fuel market through bio-ethanol would build a \$1Bn industry. In order to accomplish that goal, South Carolina must have the capacity to

produce 700M gallons of ethanol/year. Based on recent studies of the economic impact of corn ethanol plans in the Midwest, 700M gal/year of bio-ethanol capacity could lead to \$1.5 billion in capital investments, create 10,000 new jobs, add \$2 billion to the local economy and increase local and state taxes by \$20 million. The amount is \$1 million and it would go to Clemson University.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT B. ADERHOLT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. ADERHOLT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Bill:

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: EERE—Building Technologies

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Snead State Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: Snead State Community College, PO Box 734, Boaz, AL 35957

Description of Request: "Energy Efficiency Enhancements, \$250,000"

The funding would be used to reduce energy consumed in ten campus buildings. Funding will pay for lighting retrofits, monitors, sensors, and HVAC controls. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards from Green Building Council will be used for sustainable operations. Anticipated 20–30% energy savings per year with changes. Of the requested amount, 60% of the funds will be used for materials and supplies and 40% will be used on installation costs. The project will reduce the College's energy consumption. Taxpayer Justification: This funding will help reduce energy use and save natural resources and reduce dependence on foreign oil. The project will also promote conservation to the public.

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: EERE—Building Technologies

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Gadsden State Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 227, Gadsden, AL 35902–0227

Description of Request: "Green Operations Plan, \$75,000"

The funding would be used for replacing aging inefficient light fixtures in Wallace Hall Fine Arts Center to reduce the amount of electricity used by over 50%. Gadsden State's requested amount was \$75,000. Gadsden State Community Colleges plans to expend the entire amount of the funds on Energy Efficient Stage Lighting fixtures; LED Stage Border lights; High-efficiency Moving Light fixtures; and Digitally Controlled—Energy Efficient Rigging Units. Taxpayer Justification: This plan will produce the same brightness at a lower cost and utilize easily-recyclable lamps which will cut lighting energy use.

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: EERE—Building Technologies

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of North Alabama, Florence, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: UNA, 110 Bibb Graves, Florence, AL 35632

Description of Request: "University of North Alabama, Green Campus Initiative, \$200,000"

The funding would be used to continue the Green Campus Initiative. The objective of the Green Campus Initiative is to reduce dependence on fossil fuels; with anticipated reduction of electrical and natural gas energy consumption by 15%. Request is made in the amount of \$1M to continue the FY09 Green Campus Initiative. Funding will be used to (1) replace 35+ year old HVAC system/Chillers (\$200K), (2) replacement of single pane windows with energy efficient double pane windows (\$400K), (3) replacement of fluorescent lighting with energy saving electronic ballast T–8 or T–5 lamp technology (\$200K), and (4) Labor costs (\$200K). Taxpayer Justification: This funding will improve the provision of a functional green energy technologies prototype to reduce dependence on fossil fuels and natural gas.

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183 Account: EERE—Biomass

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: Auburn University, 102 Samford Hall, Auburn, AL 36849

Description of Request: "Farm Deployable Microbial Bioreactor for Fuel Ethanol Production, \$800,000"

The funding will be used for scientists to develop natural bacteria and yeast mixtures that will simultaneously convert inedible plant waste to bioethanol using a farm deployable bioreactor system, and test its commercial viability within the agriculture community. The requested amount for the project is \$1,000,000 with a spending plan as follows to conduct research on farm deployable microbial bioreactor for fuel ethanol production at Auburn University—Montgomery. Approximately,

\$210,000 for salaries and benefits; \$57,600 for graduate students; \$34,500 for travel; \$360,000 for equipment and materials; \$31,000 in rent; \$129,179 for collaborators (Auburn University and Alabama State Department of Agriculture); \$101,018 utilities and related costs. Taxpayer Justification: Fuel ethanol from inedible plant materials or biomass will become a major portion of America's energy pool. The benefit of this research is national in scale and will especially promote sustainable agriculture in agricultural regions of the nation. Auburn University Montgomery will conduct research to develop farm deployable microbial bioreactor for fuel ethanol production. The proposed system is cost-efficient, simple, highly usable and has potential for home production. The Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries will assist in developing pilots on farm to determine and increase commercial viability. Success in this effort will provide a unique combination of microbial catalysts and all-in-one ethanol bioreactor for fuel ethanol production from agricultural wastes.

Requesting Member: ADERHOLT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corp of Engineers—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Warrior Tombigbee Waterway Association, Mobile, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 2863, Mobile, AL 36652

Description of Request: "Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers, \$24,180,000"

The funding would be used to repair Selden Lock miter gates and Holt spillway and Holt lock valves. Funds would also be used to construct an upland disposal site at Buena Vista. Provide \$24,180,000 in funding for Operations and Maintenance for the Mobile District of the COE for the Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers. Currently there are 20–25 million tons transported on this river each year, mostly coal and petroleum products, and serious repairs are needed. The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway and Coosa-Alabama River systems depend on the efficiency of the Black Warrior-Tombigbee. This project will provide necessary infrastructure maintenance and repairs to the 50+ year old lock and dam system. The entire budget for the project will go towards maintenance and repairs. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Corps of Engineers, O&M Account. Taxpayer Justification: Each year approximately 20–25 million tons of goods move through this waterway, mostly coal and petroleum products. The Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers system is vital for the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway and the Coosa Alabama River system, and this funding promotes the functioning of this vital waterway.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding H.R. 3170, the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JACK KINGSTON

Bill: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Alma

Address of Requesting Entity: 884 Radio Station Rd., Alma, GA 31510

Description of Request: Funding in the amount of \$500,000 for business and infrastructure development to entice small businesses to the area and encourage growth in the community.

THE COMMUNITY GARDENS ACT
OF 2009**HON. JAY INSLEE**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. INSLEE. Madam Speaker, today Congresswoman NORTON and I introduced the Community Gardens Act of 2009, along with Representatives MATSUI, BLUMENAUER, MORAN, CONYERS, Jr., BORDALLO, CHRISTENSEN, DENNIS MOORE, ENGEL, KAPTUR, MALONEY, MCGOVERN, CARSON, GRIJALVA, BARBARA LEE, DONNA EDWARDS, WOOLSEY and CLEAVER II. We thank them for their support.

Localities across America are already demonstrating an eagerness to harvest fresh fruits and vegetables in community gardens. Ac-

ording to a national study, 1 million households participated in community gardens in 2008, and an estimated 5 million households are very interested in starting a garden plot near their home. Washington state is home to many opportunities by which individuals may participate in a community garden atmosphere. For example, the City of Seattle's Department of Neighborhoods currently maintains 1,900 plots, which serve more than 3,800 urban gardeners on 23 acres of land. This successful program is expanding as interest in gardening grows. With this legislation we can help programs like the one in Seattle, Washington, as well as at 21 Acres in Woodinville, Washington, to expand opportunities for all American households to share in the numerous benefits of local gardening.

The Community Gardens Act of 2009 will establish a grant program specifically geared to help local organizations create community gardens in their areas. Groups eligible to apply for funds include community-development organizations, schools, and state and local governments, among others. By encouraging these groups to construct gardens in their communities, the legislation will promote nutrition, environmental awareness, and neighborhood development.

Existing community gardens illustrate the many benefits of creating such a grant program. These gardens are already helping to beautify neighborhoods by transforming vacant lots and paved areas into "green" spaces. They are reducing the impact of nutrient and sediment pollution on local wildlife habitats, forest lands and water quality. They are also teaching our kids about the importance of nutrition and exercise by participating in harvesting healthy food and creating an excellent opportunity for outdoor recreation.

Congresswoman NORTON and I are proud to introduce the Community Gardens Act of 2009 and we look forward to working in Congress to ensure that healthy food and healthy lifestyles are available to all communities across the nation.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3170—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Salaries & Expenses
Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Operation New Hope, Inc.

Address of Receiving Entity: 1830 North Main Street, Jacksonville FL 32206

Description of Request: I have secured \$790,000 in funding in H.R. 3170, in the Salaries & Expenses Account for a prison re-entry job training program that works with small business owners.

The purpose of this program is to successfully re-integrate ex-offenders by work training and job coaching and matching up successful participants with local small businesses that meet their hiring and staffing needs.

This project is eligible for federal funding under the Small Business Administration.

Operation New Hope, Inc. will contribute \$2,000,000 in non-Federal matching funds.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding for Delaware included as part of FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, H.R. 3183:

Name of Project: Delaware Bay Coastline, Roosevelt Inlet to Lewes Beach, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$350,000 for periodic renourishment of Roosevelt Inlet/Lewes Beach area located in Sussex County, Delaware. The purpose of the project is to reduce flood and coastal storm damage and for navigation mitigation.

Name of Project: Intracoastal Waterway, Delaware River to Chesapeake Bay, DE & MD

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$28,390,000, which is the President's requested funding level for the continued annual operations and maintenance of this Intracoastal Waterway.

Name of Project: Wilmington Harbor, Delaware

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$320,000 for aggressive management and capacity restoration of federal disposal areas and chemical and sediment testing within those areas. The purpose of this project is to increase capacity and manage disposal areas for Wilmington Harbor.

Name of Project: Delaware Coast Protection, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$390,000 to reimburse the State of Delaware for the Federal share of the annual operation and maintenance costs of the sand bypass plant and new

plant facilities. The purpose is to support the periodic nourishment of the beach during the authorized period.

Name of Project: Red Clay Creek, Christina River Watershed, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$300,000 to continue the investigation of the Christina River Watershed feasibility study. The purpose of the project is to continue investigation of flood damage reduction, ecosystem restoration, water quality control strategies.

Name of Project: Wind Turbine Infrastructure for Green Energy and Research on Wind Power in Delaware

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: DoE—EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Delaware

Address of Requesting Entity: HULLIHEN HALL, Newark, DE 19716

Description of Request: \$300,000 for the one-time purchase and installation of a wind turbine to be used shore-side at the University of Delaware's Lewes Campus. The purpose of this project is to help inform decisions about the viability and delivery of offshore renewable wind energy.

Name of Project: University of Delaware Energy Institute

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: DoE—Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Delaware

Address of Requesting Entity: HULLIHEN HALL, Newark, DE 19716

Description of Request: \$500,000 for equipment, fellowships, and outreach for University of Delaware's Energy Institute. The purpose of the project is to expand and accelerate the deployment, demonstration and adoption of alternative energy sources and technologies that are more secure, abundant, and sustainable to help meet the nation's energy challenges.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, unfortunately Monday night, July 13, 2009, I was unable to cast my vote on the Motion to Adjourn.

Had I been present for rollcall No. 530, on the Motion to Adjourn, I would have voted "aye."

TRIBUTE TO CONTINENTAL AIRLINES ON ITS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Continental Airlines headquartered in Houston, Texas, on its 75th anniversary. I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding Continental Airlines and its employees for the outstanding service and dedication it has provided to travelers over the past 75 years.

From its modest beginnings in July 1934 in El Paso, Texas, Continental has grown to become the fifth largest carrier in the world. Just before the Second World War, Continental moved its headquarters to Denver, Colorado where it subsequently built the Denver Modification Facility, modifying B-17 and B-29 aircraft for the war effort. As the war approached an end, Continental expanded its services to include 26 cities and employ over 400 people by 1945.

In 1963, Continental moved its headquarters once again to Los Angeles, where the company continued to support American military efforts, flying soldiers to Asia during the Vietnam War. During the 1970s, Continental experienced considerable growth. Most notable was approval by President Jimmy Carter to fly from Los Angeles to New Zealand and Australia.

In 1982, Continental, once more relocated its headquarters to its current location in Houston, Texas. Continental then mounted one of the most successful business turnarounds ever in American history when it began restructuring in 1994, using its famous "Go Forward Plan" that emphasized the airline's unique company culture. In addition to Houston, Continental also has hubs in Cleveland, Ohio and Newark, New Jersey.

Today, Continental remains a major employer in the Houston area and a valued airline. I hear often from satisfied travelers about the quality of the company's service and commonsense approach to operations. As a million mile traveler, I personally can attest to the quality and professionalism of the crew and staff of Continental Airlines. It is my personal choice when I travel back and forth to Washington, and one I trust with the safeguard of my family.

Madam Speaker, I hope my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives will join me to recognize Continental's contribution to America on the occasion of the 75th anniversary.

RECOGNIZING YOUNG JU JI

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Ms. Young Ju Ji. Ms. Ji is the Executive Director of Korean American Women in Need, KANWIN, and a well-respected member of the Korean-American community in Chicago.

KANWIN helps Korean-American survivors of domestic violence and is one of a few organizations in the country with such a mission. The organization's formation began amid controversy as it publicly stated that women should not be subjected to violence or brutality at the hand of her husband or partner. KANWIN has served thousands of families in Chicago, giving women and their children renewed optimism and opportunity.

Ms. Ji immigrated to the U.S. in 1999 to Chicago where she and her family now reside. In addition to her work at KANWIN, Ms. Ji teaches both adults and children Korean drumming, one of her many efforts to preserve Korean culture in Chicago. She also is a Board Member at the Korean-American Resource and Cultural Center, KRCC.

Ms. Ji is well-respected and vital to the Korean-American community. She is a natural leader and her strength invigorates the men and women whose lives she has affected. In her charity, few things are ever unavailable. Ms. Ji, her husband and their two young children regularly open their home and share their financial resources and time to those in need. It is my privilege to recognize Ms. Young Ju Ji as an outstanding member of our community and as a person who deserves our country's honor.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

Congressman SAM GRAVES (MO-6)

Department of Defense, Corps of Engineers—Civil, Investigations—\$350,000 to the Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District for the Missouri River Levee System (MRLS) Units L-455 and R 471-460 (4800 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64130)

Federal funds obtained will be used to advance design of the levee system on the Missouri River at Elwood and Wathena, KS and St. Joseph, MO. Damage from flooding has been significant in St. Joseph and the surrounding area, with devastating floods occurring in 1881, 1952 and 1993. In the Great Flood of 1993, Unit R 471-460 failed causing more than \$97 million in damages. The levee system extends over 29 miles in length, protecting industrial and residential areas in St. Joseph worth over \$1 billion. The feasibility study was completed in 2006 identifying an alternative to raise 13 miles of the right bank unit of the levee protecting Elwood, Wathena, and the MO Air National Guard base.

Congressman SAM GRAVES (MO-6)

Department of Defense, Corps of Engineers—Civil, Section 205—Funds to the Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District for the Blacksnake Creek Feasibility Study (4800 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64130)

The Blacksnake Creek is a tributary of the Missouri River. In 1984 a flash flood in St. Joseph, MO devastated homes and commercial

property in its two largest watersheds, including Blacksake Creek, a watershed of 5,200 acres. In order to provide a higher level of flood protection the City and the Corps of Engineers initiated a feasibility study of flood control improvements that can be implemented along Blacksake Creek in St. Joseph. The project would create a storm water detention basin to capture storm water from 3,300 acres of the watershed and protect the fully developed area of 1,900 acres downstream. The project itself has increased in importance as a result of the EPA and its Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) regulations. As a result, the project is critical to address both flooding and storm water detention and outfall redirection to keep storm water flow out of the combined system and improve water quality as a result. Flooding on the creek threatens the commercial and residential corridor. Federal funds obtained will be used to initiate design work.

Congressman SAM GRAVES (MO-6) (along with the President, Rep. CLEAVER and Rep. MOORE (KS))

Department of Defense, Corps of Engineers—Civil, Investigations—\$700,000 to the Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District for Missouri River Degradation, Kansas and Missouri project (4800 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64130)

The Kansas City levee systems and metro utilities in the Missouri River are threatened by the ongoing degradation of the Missouri River bed in the Kansas City reach. Federal funds obtained will be used for a feasibility study to investigate the progressive streambed degradation in the Kansas City reach and other areas of the Missouri River.

Congressman SAM GRAVES (MO-6) (along with the President)

Department of Defense, Corps of Engineers—Civil, Construction—\$100,000 to the Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District for Kansas City Levees in Missouri and Kansas (4800 East 63rd Street, Kansas City, MO 64130)

Design of Phase 1, Fairfax Levee, began in 2007. A new construction start and funding is necessary to begin the most critical corrections to the levee system, and to complete Phase 2 feasibility study. Corrective measures to provide reliable protection include raising the levee/floodwall at Argentine; installing pressure relief wells, new piping and pump station all to control underseepage at several units; and to reduce the risk of system failure through sheetpile wall reinforcement; and new construction for the Fairfax-Jersey Creek Unit. There are more than 95,000 jobs that exist in the Kansas City levees protected area. Federal funds obtained will be used to advance the feasibility study.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on congressionally-directed funding, I am submitting the following information regarding funding included in H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Construction, General (Section 202)

Legal Name of Recipient: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Huntington & Nashville Districts
Address of Recipient: 502 Eighth Street, Huntington, WV 25701 P.O. Box 1070, Nashville, TN 37202

Description of Request: As authorized in Section 202 of P.L. 96-367, as amended, provide directed funding of \$9,500,000 for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to continue structural and non-structural flood damage reduction efforts in several flood-prone communities in southern and eastern Kentucky along the Levisa and Tug Forks and Upper Cumberland River. These important flood damage reduction projects mitigate hundreds of millions of dollars in potential damages. Without Section 202 projects, taxpayers in Appalachian Kentucky would be burdened by an additional \$847 million in flood insurance. Of these sums, at least \$3,000,000 is directed towards the Town of Martin, Kentucky, which recently suffered severe flood damage.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Construction, General (Section 531)

Legal Name of Recipient: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Huntington District

Address of Recipient: 502 Eighth Street, Huntington, WV 25701

Description of Request: As authorized in Section 531 of P.L. 104-303, provide \$1,500,000 in directed funding for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to execute its environmental infrastructure program in southern and eastern Kentucky. The Environmental Protection Agency estimates this region has over \$300 million in unmet infrastructure needs. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers therefore works closely with regional non-profits to determine priority water quality projects. Over 50 innovative regional projects for sewer and water improvements are currently underway or have been completed. Through this program, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has helped serve 20,861 homes with sewer improvement projects. FY10 funding for Section 531 projects will continue these important efforts.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Construction, General

Legal Name of Recipient: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Nashville District

Address of Recipient: P.O. Box 1070, Nashville, TN 37202

Description of Request: Provide \$123,000,000 in directed funding for continued design, preparation and construction to stabilize Wolf Creek Dam, which impounds Lake Cumberland. The lake mitigates possible flooding to several Kentucky and Tennessee communities, and it is estimated that Wolf Creek Dam has prevented more than \$1.3 billion in damages and prevented major loss of life from flood events. The dam also supports a \$150 million tourism industry in the region. A \$341 million contract for the construction of a 4200-foot concrete barrier wall to eliminate seepage at Wolf Creek Dam was let in July

2008. The project is among the Corps' top dam safety projects in the nation and was requested by the President.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Operations & Maintenance

Legal Name of Recipient: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Nashville District—Lake Cumberland

Address of Recipient: P.O. Box 1070, Nashville, TN 37202

Description of Request: Provide directed funding of \$1,000,000 for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to perform needed recreational improvements to degraded Lake Cumberland structures and facilities. These operation and maintenance funds may be used for needed refurbishments and enhancements around the lake. These enhancements include, but are not limited to lake debris removal, environmental restoration and recreational improvements.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Operations & Maintenance

Legal Name of Recipient: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Huntington District—Town of Martin

Address of Recipient: 502 Eighth Street, Huntington, WV 25701

Description of Request: Section 107 of H.R. 3183 directs the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to expedite the acquisition of properties in Martin, Kentucky that were damaged by floodwaters in a severe May 2009 flood event. Removing residents and businesses from harm's way should be a top priority for the Corps, and this language directs the Huntington District to modify its Project Detailed Project Report, dated March 2000, so that the acquisition of homes and businesses might commence immediately.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Legal Name of Recipient: Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research

Address of Recipient: 100 Sylvan Drive, Suite 210, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Description of Request: Provide directed funding of \$3,000,000 for the Consortium of Plant Biotechnology Research (CPBR), a non-profit organization whose membership includes 43 leading U.S. research universities and 39 agribusiness companies and trade associations across the county. 92.6% of funding is utilized for researching plant biotechnologies that will improve the competitiveness of U.S. agriculture by developing technologies to lessen the country's dependence on foreign energy supplies. Federal funds are matched 130% on average. The University of Kentucky is a CPBR member.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Fossil Fuels Research and Development

Legal Name of Recipient: The University of Kentucky—Center for Applied Energy Research

Address of Recipient: 2540 Research Park Drive, Lexington, KY 40511

Description of Request: Provide directed funding of \$2,000,000 for the University of Kentucky's Center for Applied Energy Research (CAER) to continue important research regarding the development of strategic coal-based liquid transportation fuels. Rising petroleum prices, national security concerns and limited domestic oil reserves require a serious look at alternative sources of transportation fuels. The use of coal for transportation fuels can provide additional independence from oil imports, safeguard the nation's security, allow for the development of new industries, and provide new incentives for coal mining. The Department of Defense has a keen interest in securing alternatives to petroleum for reliable supplies of battlefield fuels. Moreover, there are certain applications where coal-derived fuels are environmentally superior for the production of ultra-clean diesel and jet fuel of interest to the aviation, heavy equipment and trucking industries. Eastern and western Kentucky coals are suitable feed stocks for these purposes.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Legal Name of Recipient: Morehead State University East Kentucky Bioenergy Capacity Assessment Project

Address of Recipient: 150 University Blvd., 901 Ginger Hall, Morehead, KY 40351

Description of Request: Provide directed funding of \$250,000 for Morehead State University to analyze the availability of bioenergy in a region of Appalachia traditionally supported by coal. Many opportunities exist through the exploration of alternative fuel sources to allow the United States to become less energy dependent on fossil fuels, and this project would support a feasibility study to analyze the availability of bioenergy sources in southern and eastern Kentucky.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately I missed recorded votes on the House floor on Friday, July 10, 2009.

Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall vote No. 526 (On ordering the previous question to H. Res. 622) and "no" on rollcall vote No. 527 (On agreeing to H. Res. 622), "yes" on rollcall vote No. 528 (On agreeing to the Rep. Jeff Flake of Arizona amendment to H.R. 3082), "yes" on rollcall vote No. 529 (On passage to H.R. 3082).

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville FL 32207

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,000,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Construction Account for the Dredged Materials Disposal Facilities Program, Jacksonville Harbor, FL.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will contribute to the dredging improvements which will assure that commodities reach their destination efficiently and cleanly by ship rather than by surface transportation, which reduces air pollution, strain on our over-burdened highway system and traffic congestion.

In addition, to continue JAXPORT's growth, the channel must be deepened so it can handle container ships with deeper drafts.

There is a 25 percent non-Federal cost share required for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Construction

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville FL 32207

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,000,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Construction Account for Jacksonville Harbor, FL.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because dredging improvements will assure that commodities reach their destination efficiently and cleanly by ship rather than by surface transportation, which reduces air pollution, strain on our over-burdened highway system and traffic congestion.

In addition, to continue JAXPORT's growth, the channel must be deepened so it can handle container ships with deeper drafts.

There is a 25 percent non-Federal cost share required for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Operations & Maintenance

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville FL 32207

Description of Request: I have secured \$4,500,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Operations & Maintenance Account for the Intra-coastal Waterway, Jacksonville to Miami, FL.

The purpose of this funding is for the routine maintenance dredging of Reach 1 in Duval County at Nassau Sound and non-routine maintenance dredging in Reach 3 will remove 250,000 cyds. of material. The beach quality material will be placed on Amelia Island and the non-beach quality materials will be placed in DMMA DU-2.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the operation and maintenance of the Intra-coastal Waterway in Florida is a Federal responsibility.

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Operations & Maintenance

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville FL 32207

Description of Request: I have secured \$6,035,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Operations & Maintenance Account for the Jacksonville Harbor, FL.

The purpose of this funding is for the periodic dredging in the 20 mile main federal ship channel.

The Jacksonville Harbor project is an authorized federal project and has regularly received O&M funds which are necessary to retain the federal project depth. Pursuant to federal statute, the Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for maintenance of federal navigation channels.

There are no matching funds required or allowed for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Section 206

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville FL 32207

Description of Request: I have secured funding in H.R. 3183 in the Section 206 Account for the Big Fishweir Creek, FL.

Big Fishweir Creek is a small tributary on the St. Johns River, a federally-designated American Heritage River, approximately 4 miles south of downtown Jacksonville. The contributing sub-basin to Big Fishweir Creek has been urbanized, predominantly with residential land use, which is encroaching along the creek's banks. Most of this urbanization occurred prior to the promulgation of storm water regulations. Consequently, only limited storm water management has been implemented in the sub-basin. Contaminated sediment from untreated storm water has been deposited in the creek over time, reducing natural habitat in the creek and along its banks.

Under the authority provided by Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996, the Corps may plan, design and build projects to restore aquatic ecosystems for fish and wildlife. Projects must be in the public interest and cost effective and are limited to \$5 million in Federal cost.

There is a 50 percent non-Federal matching requirement for this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Electricity Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: City of Tallahassee, Florida

Address of Receiving Entity: 300 S. Adams Street Tallahassee FL 32301

Description of Request: I have secured \$250,000 in funding in H.R. 3186 in the Electricity Efficiency and Renewable Energy Account under the Department of Energy for the City of Tallahassee Innovative Energy Initiatives.

The City of Tallahassee will provide \$2,000,000 in matching funds for this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Project Name: Fairbanks Geothermal Energy Project
Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Department of Energy

Legal name and address of entity receiving earmark: Fairbanks North Star Borough, 809 Pioneer Road, Fairbanks, AK 99707

Description of how the money will be spent and why the use of federal taxpayer funding is justified: Fairbanks North Star Borough in cooperation with the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) Center for Energy and Power will use funds to perform research and development work on an enhanced geothermal system designed to replace the 9 megawatt combined heat and power unit located on the campus of UAF.

Appropriated Amount: \$1,000,000

Detailed Finance Plan: Program Coordination: \$300,000, geothermal resource assessment: \$500,000, test well: \$4,200,000

Project Name: St. Hermann Harbor Dredging in Kodiak

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Army Corps of Engineers

Legal name and address of entity receiving earmark: City of Kodiak, 710 Mill Bay Road, Kodiak, AK 99615

Description of how the money will be spent and why the use of federal taxpayer funding is justified: In 1997, the Army Corps completed a breakwater to protect Kodiak's St. Herman Harbor. The south channel of this new harbor has residual rubble from the construction period that needs to be dredged and cleaned out in order to allow the channel entrance to be the width and depth intended by the original project design.

Appropriated Amount: \$500,000

Detailed Finance Plan: Army Corps of Engineers Operations and Maintenance: \$500,000

Project Name: High Penetration Wind Power in Tatitlek

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Department of Energy

Legal name and address of entity receiving earmark: Native Village of Tatitlek, P.O. Box 171, Tatitlek, AK 99677

Description of how the money will be spent and why the use of federal taxpayer funding is justified: Funding will provide for a high penetration hybrid wind turbine/diesel power station in the Village of Tatitlek. Because it is expensive to ship home heating fuel into Tatitlek, Tatitlek conducted studies on cost effective alternatives. Energy generation from wind is expected to save the community 32 percent over energy generation from diesel.

Appropriated Amount: \$900,000

Detailed Finance Plan: Machines: \$612,495; Shipping: \$34,028; Concrete pads for generators: \$156,257; Crane: \$122,499; Electrical lines: \$24,500; Controls and Equipment: \$340,275; Site prep: \$88,472; C.E. freight:

\$68,055; Wind prospecting: \$20,417; Engineering: \$102,083

Project Name: Port of Anchorage

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Army Corps of Engineers

Legal name and address of entity receiving earmark: Port of Anchorage, 2000 Anchorage Port Rd, Anchorage, AK 99501

Description of how the money will be spent and why the use of federal taxpayer funding is justified: Provide an earmark of \$18 million will be used for operations and maintenance for the Port of Anchorage expansion project.

Appropriated Amount: \$18,000,000

Detailed Finance Plan: Army Corps of Engineers Operations and Maintenance: \$18,000,000

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CANDICE S. MILLER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2892, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman CANDICE S. MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3170—the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act of 2010

Account: Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Macomb County, Michigan

Address of Requesting Entity: 1 S. Main St., 7th Floor, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043

Description of Request: This request, in the amount of \$100,000.00, would be used to provide a variety of much needed programs and services including training such as business plan and marketing writing and assistance. Additionally, it would serve businesses and entrepreneurs in Macomb County who currently lack access to such vital services.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. LEE of New York. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of the Financial Services Appropriations bill.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration—Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Buffalo Niagara International Trade Foundation

Address of Requesting Entity: 725 Main Street, Buffalo, NY 14203

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 to support three approaches by the World Trade Center Buffalo Niagara

(WTCBN), a non-for-profit that helps companies to enter, grow, and compete in international markets: (1) The "Export Canada" program addresses the needs of small and medium sized-manufacturers and service firms by providing workshops focused on exporting to Canada; (2) Expand WTCBN's international business development services and guided assistance to service a broader audience of companies in a 12-county region of Western New York; (3) Support comprehensive trade education and global skills development programs geared for the agribusiness and manufacturing sectors through strengthened partnerships with educational institutions.

Of the total amount, approximately \$100,000 (or 40 percent) is for outreach and marketing; \$60,000 (or 24 percent) is for education; \$50,000 (or 20 percent) is for technology; \$30,000 (or 12 percent) is for miscellaneous expenses; and \$10,000 (or 4 percent) is for membership activities.

Global trade for any individual firm remains a complex matter requiring a wide range of services, market contact and skills. As part of a network of 300 World Trade Centers in 100 countries, WTCBN has the capabilities and contacts to assist regional businesses in every major market in the world. WTCBN is licensed by the World Trade Centers Association to serve companies throughout much of Upstate New York. The WTCBN shares a very similar mission as the Small Business Administration.

RECOGNITION OF LES WEISBROD

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor and pleasure that I stand before you today to recognize a very special constituent and friend of mine. He is both a mentor and an outstanding lawyer with a brilliant legal mind, and I am privileged to recognize and acknowledge the achievements of Les Weisbrod. I have known him since 1971, and I can truly say that he is a dedicated, distinguished, and committed citizen.

The name Weisbrod has long been associated with excellence, and his life and work reflect his parents' highest standards of hard work, honesty, courtesy, and responsibility. On July 30, 2009, Mr. Weisbrod will finish his term as President of the American Association for Justice. As the largest trial bar in the world, this association aims to promote a fair and effective justice system and has benefitted enormously from Mr. Weisbrod's leadership and expertise. He has served as President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian of the American Association for Justice, in addition to leading many of this association's litigation groups through his quarter-century of membership.

Regarded as one of the most effective medical malpractice and personal injury attorneys in the country, Mr. Weisbrod has obtained more medical malpractice punitive damage jury verdicts for his clients than any other attorney in the United States. In 2003, he obtained a verdict which has been reported by the National Law Journal as one of the 100 most important verdicts of that year, and he

was named one of the best lawyers in Dallas for 2003–2005 in Dallas' "D" Magazine and a "Texas Super Lawyer" for 2003–2004 in Texas Monthly.

Our communities and our country rely on the contributions of individuals like Mr. Weisbrod who rise above and beyond the call of duty to make a difference in the lives of others, both personally and professionally. He has demonstrated an unfaltering and tireless commitment to the betterment of Dallas County, the State of Texas, and the entire Nation. I am fortunate to know and to have worked with Mr. Weisbrod for the past 38 years, and I am so pleased to call him a dear friend.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would like to give a final salute to Les Weisbrod who has fought to ensure justice and fairness in our legal system. I wish him continued health, happiness, and peace throughout his professional and personal journey. His outstanding service on behalf of others truly makes a remarkable difference and serves as an outstanding example to us all.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HOWARD P. "BUCK" McKEON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. McKEON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding Member priority requests I received as part of H.R. 3170, the "Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010."

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" McKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 3170, the "Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Small Business Administration (SBA)

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Palmdale, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 38300 Sierra Highway, Palmdale, CA 93550

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$100,000 to assist the City of Palmdale and the South Valley WorkSource Center (SVWC) with their efforts to further develop and fully implement the second year of the Business Resource Network, an economic development support program that would connect area small businesses to available public and private business resources, which are designed to increase worker skills preparedness, reduce the potential for employee lay-offs and business closures, and promote continuing local economic development and growth.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. UPTON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of

H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations bill for Fiscal Year 2010.

St. Joseph Harbor O&M Dredging
Department: Army Corps of Engineers
Account: Operations & Maintenance
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Berrien County, Michigan

Address of Requesting Entity: Berrien County Administration Center, 701 Main St., St. Joseph, MI 49085

This request is for securing funds for dredging both the inner and outer harbor of St. Joseph, Michigan, as well as performing much-needed structural repairs. The inner harbor is a key port for raw materials such as limestone, sand and gravel for state highways. Road and building construction projects in the area receive a majority of their aggregate materials through the three commercial docks located in this harbor. Additionally, it is a major hub for recreational boaters, with over 1,600 boat slips. This project has been authorized through many WRDA acts, is vital to the economic viability of Southwest Michigan, and has the support of the entire community.

The St. Joseph Harbor is an integral cog in the region's economic engine. A recent study by Purdue University gauged the harbor's economic impact at more than \$5.5 million dollars and more than 35 local jobs. The St. Joseph Harbor is among the top 50 in commercial activity among Great Lakes Harbors.

Amount: \$750,000

Funding Breakdown: The entirety of this funding will go towards dredging to the entrance, inner channel of the harbor and outer harbor. Supplemental funds will be provided by Berrien County and local municipalities.

New Buffalo Federal Channel O&M Dredging

Department: Army Corps of Engineers
Account: Operations & Maintenance
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of New Buffalo, Michigan

Address of Requesting Entity: City of New Buffalo, 244 W. Buffalo St., New Buffalo, MI 49117

This request is to secure funds for the dredging of the Federal Channel in New Buffalo Harbor, from the Whittaker Street Bridge to Lake Michigan. The floodwaters from the September 14, 2008 storm event discharged an immense amount of sediment into the federal channel which has restricted the access to Lake Michigan. The project would dredge the federal channel to remove the shoals (much worse than what normal dredging handles) which prevent boats from accessing Lake Michigan. Dredged material would be used to supplement a beach nourishment area established by the ACOE. The federal channel serves boat traffic for the south Lake Michigan area, including residents of Chicagoland and Northern Indiana. New Buffalo is a boating community with an economy that relies entirely on its harbor's access to Lake Michigan via the Gallen River. Without the dredging, the City and surrounding area will see a significant decline in tourism and related jobs. This project is authorized through the River and Harbor Act of 1962.

Amount: \$139,000

Funding Breakdown: The entirety of this funding will go toward the dredging of the Federal Channel in New Buffalo Harbor, from the Whittaker Street Bridge to Lake Michigan

Western Michigan University Green Manufacturing and Energy Conscious Design Program

Department: Energy

Account: Office of Science and Biological Research

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Western Michigan University

Address of Requesting Entity: 1903 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49008

This project will assist companies (small companies in particular) to take advantage of environmentally benign and energy conscious materials in their design and manufacturing processes. The proposal is a collaborative project involving WMU College of Engineering, College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business, industry partners and community participants and seeks to enhance economic and workforce development and technology transfer through the advancement and use of environmentally friendly materials, designs, products and manufacturing processes and systems, building upon the already successful manufacturing, environment and energy research centers and programs at WMU.

Amount: \$1,000,000

Funding Breakdown: One third of this funding will go to equipment, one third to educational materials development and delivery to employees and students, and one third to program support. Western Michigan University will provide supplemental funding for this \$3 million project.

TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT GENERAL JOHN L. "JACK" HUDSON

HON. STEVE AUSTRIA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. AUSTRIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lieutenant General John L. "Jack" Hudson, for his outstanding service to our nation on the occasion of his retirement.

On behalf of the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District, I am honored to congratulate Lieutenant General Hudson upon his retirement as the Commander of the Aeronautical Systems Center at Wright Patterson Air Force Base.

His dedicated service to the citizens of our nation and our area is both admirable and commendable. Hudson received his commission in 1971 upon his graduation from the U.S. Air Force Academy. Since that time, he has served as a T-38 instructor pilot; an A-10 pilot, instructor pilot and flight examiner; and test pilot at Edwards Air Force Base.

Over the course of his distinguished career, he has also served as the Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of the Air Force for International Affairs. Most recently, Lieutenant General Hudson has served as the Commander of the Aeronautical Systems Center at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, a position from which he will retire in 2009.

For his many years of service to our nation, I join the people of Ohio's Seventh Congressional District in extending our best wishes upon his retirement and wish him ongoing success in all future endeavors.

COMMUNITIES REBUILD AFTER
HURRICANE IKE**HON. RON PAUL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, at a time when the financial headlines are dominated by stories of financial institutions seeking taxpayer funds and other special privileges, I am pleased to call my colleagues' attention to a story from the Galveston Daily News about how four community banks came together to help their friends, neighbors and customers begin to recover and rebuild from Hurricane Ike.

Last fall, as the people of Galveston were assessing the damage from Hurricane Ike and Congress was beginning debate on spending billions of taxpayer funds to bail out irresponsible financial institutions, representatives of Frost, HomeTown, Moody National and Texas First banks meet to discuss how these banks could help jumpstart hurricane recovery efforts. The four banks agreed to make unsecured bridge loans to Galveston businesses to ensure these businesses had access to capital while they waited for federal assistance and insurance payments.

The four banks made more than \$40 million in recovery loans. These loans provided lifelines to many businesses struggling with both the devastation of Hurricane Ike and the credit crisis. Without the efforts of these four banks, several Galveston businesses would have had to shut their doors.

In conclusion, Madam Speaker, I extend my thanks to management and employees of Frost, HomeTown, Moody National, and Texas First banks for their efforts to help the businesses and people of Galveston recover from Hurricane Ike.

[From the Galveston Daily News, May 24, 2009]

BANKS STEPPED UP WHEN CHIPS, ECONOMY
WERE DOWN
(By Laura Elder)

Just days after Hurricane Ike, as failing Wall Street institutions roiled the U.S. financial system, civic leaders and representatives of four banks forged an agreement that would profoundly shape the island's economic recovery.

After several meetings, some in storm-swamped buildings under generator-powered lights, representatives of Frost, HomeTown, Moody National and Texas First banks agreed to make unsecured bridge loans to island businesses for rebuilding until federal money and insurance payments materialized.

The community banks made more than \$40 million in recovery loans at a time when lending by industry giants had all but ground to a halt. The 180-day loans, at 5 percent interest, were a lifeline to local businesses hoping to recover quickly from a hurricane that inflicted \$11.4 billion in damage along the upper Texas Coast.

Some island business owners said their livelihoods would have been lost for good had it not been for the help of community bankers.

LINE OF CREDIT

Charley DiBella, owner of DiBella's Italian Restaurant, which took in 4 feet of storm surge, was helped by HomeTown Bank not once but twice after Hurricane Ike, which struck Sept. 13.

DiBella credits the bank and Gary Gilliland, chief commercial lending officer,

for providing a line of credit to the restaurant.

With the loan, DiBella's was able to make storm repairs and open in November. But in January, disaster struck again when a fire broke out on the second floor of the 20-year-old restaurant. HomeTown Bank helped again, DiBella said. DiBella's Italian Restaurant plans to reopen Tuesday.

"Without HomeTown Bank and Gary Gilliland, there wouldn't be a DiBella's Restaurant," DiBella said. "I had insurance, but you know what that's like."

Gilliland, who checked on properties for his clients who had evacuated and weren't allowed back on the island for days after the storm, was in May named Indie Banker of the Month by Independent Banker Magazine for his work during Hurricane Ike.

BRIDGE OF DOLLARS

HomeTown Bank, at last count, had made more than \$6 million in bridge loans to area businesses after the storm, said Jimmy Rasmussen, president and chief executive officer.

Two days after Ike struck, Wall Street institution Lehman Brothers filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, deepening a financial crisis and already painful credit crunch that had stalled lending. Fast-and-loose credit practices by the banking giants had come home to roost.

NO 'VOODOO' PRODUCTS

But independent and community banks were never caught holding a bundle of bad loans.

"We're not sitting here selling voodoo products to peddle to people," said Matt Doyle, vice chairman of Texas First Bank.

That local competing banks got together in one room after the hurricane wasn't so unusual, Doyle said.

"We may be competitors, but we're community bankers," Doyle said. "When our community is suffering, all that goes out the window, and it's never really even in the house."

Texas First Bank lent \$8.5 million in recovery loans.

Bankers are the first to say their efforts weren't without self-interest. They certainly earned money from the loans. And they made loans based on credit history, long-standing relations and with the understanding they would be repaid.

IN IT TOGETHER

And if a lot of local businesses failed, the local banks were going to feel it, so they had an interest in the success of their neighbors.

"If Galveston business didn't recover, we're all going to be damaged, all going to take losses," said Vic Pierson, president of Moody National Bank, which made about \$21 million in recovery loans after the storm.

"It was in our best interest to do whatever we could to assist as rapidly as we could for business recovery on the island."

STRONG RELATIONSHIPS

Those who didn't have strong relationships with their bankers were left waiting for help from the Small Business Administration and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Pierson said.

"Those programs are very good, but to finally get some dollars can take 90 to 120 days or longer," Pierson said.

"A business couldn't wait three or four months to get started and I think that's where the local community banks came in."

Watching a business rebuild can encourage others to follow, Pierson said.

"It was absolutely critical that people started putting their businesses back together and making a statement," Pierson said.

NEED REMAINS

Albert Shannon, Frost Bank's group president in this region, and other bankers inter-

viewed for this story credited Mayor Lyda Ann Thomas and Jeff Sjostrom, president of Galveston Economic Development Partnership, for the idea of recovery loans. Island businessman Gerald Sullivan, who early after the storm was appointed by Thomas to help with recovery, also played a role in encouraging recovery loans, bankers said.

Frost Bank, headquartered in San Antonio, made \$5 million in recovery loans, Shannon said.

Sjostrom recently traveled to Manatee, Fla., to share ideas with officials there about recovery efforts.

"They were just amazed at the response of our local lenders," Sjostrom said.

Still only about 75 percent of the island's 2,500 businesses have returned, Sjostrom said. Many were uninsured for flood damage when Ike struck.

Businesses that aren't able to turn to the banks are doing what they can to recover, Sjostrom said.

"They're not sitting back waiting and crying," Sjostrom said. "They're going forward doing what they have to make it work. We still have a lot of businesses that need financial help."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. J. RANDY FORBES

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. FORBES. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.Q. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Chesapeake, VA

Address of Requesting Entity: 306 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA 23322

Description of Request: Provides \$100,000 to replace the existing 2-lane Deep Creek AIW Bridge with a 5-lane, dual bascule bridge, thus providing a new structurally sound bridge and reducing traffic congestion along the corridor. AIW Deep Creek Bridge (owned and operated by the Army Corps of Engineers) was built in 1934 and is functionally obsolete. The City and State (along with FHWA) have made improvements on either side of the bridge and now replacement of the bridge is critical to the movement of people and goods along U.S. Rt. 17 as well as the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 803 Front Street, Norfolk, VA 23510

Description of Request: Provides \$2,620,000 for the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Albarle and Chesapeake Canal to protect the navigation route between the Southern Branch of the Elizabeth River and the VA-NC state line in the North Landing River, a

distance of 27 miles. The ACC is of critical importance to transportation, especially to the U.S. Navy which transported over 55 million gallons of jet fuel yearly from the Craney Island to Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia Beach. Failure to fund the ACC will result in the Navy being unable to meet the fuel demand of the Oceana Naval Station. The Navy has stated that trucking this much fuel would not be feasible on a long-term basis. In addition, commercial and recreation vessels travel the ACC in lieu of the Atlantic Ocean to prevent entry into the dangerous waters off Cape Hatteras. An average of over 1,000,000 tons of commerce passed through the Great Bridge Lock yearly. Funds will be used to continue to operate the navigation lock, swing bridge, and canal.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 803 Front Street, Norfolk, VA 23510

Description of Request: Provides \$100,000 to investigate federal flood control projects in the Chowan River Basin. In many locations within the basin, six of the top 10 historical high water marks have occurred from 1998 forward, including the flood of record (Hurricane Floyd in 1999), October 2006 cold core upper level low (second highest), and Hurricane Isabel in 2003 (5th highest). Damages from these storm events have ranged from \$10M to over \$100M (February 2008 dollars). The reconnaissance study will evaluate the Federal interest in ways to protect the water resources of this highly productive basin with particular emphasis on restoring wetlands and forested buffers lost from erosion and flooding, reducing flood damages throughout the basin, and improving navigation and to determine the Federal interest in conducting a more detailed feasibility study.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Hopewell, VA

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, VA 23860

Description of Request: Provides \$600,000 to obtain funding for the maintenance dredge of the Appomattox River. The dredging of the Appomattox River will be of benefit to the region in that it will: (1) restore the Appomattox River to the free-flowing, fully navigable river that it was until the late 1970s; (2) reconnect the City to the navigable portions of the Appomattox River; (3) serve as a catalyst for the commercial and residential revitalization; (4) enhance local and regional tourism and recreational opportunities; and (5) improve the environmental condition of the Appomattox River.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Hopewell, VA

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, VA 23860

Description of Request: Provides \$350,000 to support the city's Green Building and Retro-

fitting Program. Building green requires the wise use of available materials and resources through energy and water efficiency strategies, the recycling of waste, and the use of recycled materials. Energy use is reduced through strategies such as low-e glazing, thicker insulation, energy recovery, demand-controlled ventilation, efficient mechanical equipment, and the use of renewable energy. The focus on indoor air quality that is characteristic of green buildings and better health, increases productivity, and, among students, higher test scores.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF MOUNT TABOR MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. VERN BUCHANAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BUCHANAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Mount Tabor Missionary Baptist Church in Tallevast, Florida, on its 100th Anniversary and recognize Pastor Ezell Patterson who has served as the congregation's spiritual leader for the past 33 years.

The 150-member church was founded in 1909 by the children of former slaves and has since provided a spiritual home to generations of Tallevast residents who have been able to count on the enduring spiritual support and presence of Mount Tabor.

Though its challenges have changed over the years, Mount Tabor Missionary Baptist has remained strongly committed to its core mission: provide spiritual guidance to all of its members and their families.

For the past few years, the church has provided comfort and a meeting place for area residents impacted by the recent discovery that some residents of the polluted community were drinking contaminated water for possibly up to 40 years.

For more than a century now, Mount Tabor has been the spiritual heart of the Tallevast community.

Resident Ms. Virginia Massie told The Bradenton Herald the church is "the most important thing in my life." And Associate Pastor Willie C. Shaw told the paper, it "has always been an extension of my immediate family."

I have had the pleasure of visiting with local residents in the church hall and attending Sunday service there.

I congratulate Mount Tabor Missionary Baptist Church and its members for reaching this important milestone. I recognize its many accomplishments, and I appreciate their successful efforts to provide a spiritual home to the Tallevast community.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. LEE of New York. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as

part of the FY10 Energy & Water Appropriations bill.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Biomass and Biorefinery Systems R&D

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: County of Monroe NY Department of Environmental Services

Address of Requesting Entity: 50 West Main Street, Suite 7100, Rochester, NY 14614

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$1,000,000 for the continued transformation of the Mill Seat Landfill in Riga in to a very efficient bioreactor through innovative harnessing of methane to create energy with large and/or small generating system. This second power plant will result in increased Methane production to produce up to 12.8 Megawatts of Renewable Green power and associated Thermal Load. The project will allow the County to utilize the thermal output to spur economic development adjacent to the Landfill and sell the electricity and related green benefits to offset utility costs.

Of the total amount, 100 percent is for purchase and installation of equipment.

This state of the art process would provide many environmentally friendly results: eliminates the need for incinerating sludge at the wastewater treatment plant saving non-renewable energy; reduces the use of non-renewable fuel and emissions; and improves the decomposition process via the use of the "chemically treated biosolids". This is the first use of chemically treated biosolids from a Waste Water Treatment Plant to increase the decomposition of Municipal solid waste resulting in increased Methane production while extending the life of the landfill by 30-50 percent. Also, Monroe County will use the free thermal associated with the project to entice companies to relocate to the eight 25-acre economic development parcels adjacent to the landfill.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: State University of New York at Geneseo

Address of Requesting Entity: Erwin 218, SUNY Geneseo, Geneseo, NY 14454

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for the purchase of a Fourier Transform Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectrometer for SUNY Geneseo's Integrated Science Center.

Of the total amount, 100 percent is for purchase and installation of equipment.

This instrument will replace an aging spectrometer at the College thus allowing Geneseo to continue attracting competitive research grants, training students in critical fields of science and technology, and contribute to economic development efforts in the region.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Operations and Maintenance

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers Buffalo District

Address of Requesting Entity: 1776 Niagara Street, Buffalo, NY 14207

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$2,696,000 for the routine operations and

maintenance of Mount Morris Dam, NY. Failure to fund could result in operating systems failures and structural degradation.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—EERE—Geothermal Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Daemen College

Address of Requesting Entity: 4380 Main Street, Amherst, NY 14226

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$950,000 to implement a heating and cooling system in Daemen College's largest building, housing many administrative, faculty, and staff offices and many classrooms and laboratories.

Of the total amount, \$25,650 (2.7 percent) is for personnel; \$875,900 (92.2 percent) is for construction; and \$48,450 (5.1 percent) is for equipment.

Funds will be used to implement the heating and cooling system. The project will create jobs and educate people on energy efficiency.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy—EERE—Other

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Rochester Institute of Technology

Address of Requesting Entity: 30 Lomb Memorial Drive, Rochester, NY 14623

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 to fund research to address a critical technology gap impeding the deployment and optimization of next generation autonomous microsystems—the ability to effectively and efficiently power these devices. The focus of this research program to date has been to use the facilities and expertise of the NanoPower Research Labs (NPRL) at the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) in power conversion and storage using new materials such as carbon nanotubes and quantum dots to develop and commercialize the next generation of autonomous power solutions.

Of the total amount, approximately \$50,000 (20 percent) is for faculty and staff; \$32,000 (12.8 percent) is for materials; \$48,000 (19.2 percent) is for services; \$3,000 (1.2 percent) is for travel; and \$120,000 (48 percent) is for equipment.

The federal investment will enable the NPRL at RIT to accelerate the translation of its fundamental research into a wide range of applications, particularly for terrestrial solar energy systems. The economic opportunities of this research initiative are also significant for the upstate New York region, which is at a critical juncture in the need to jumpstart and capitalize on emerging industries.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, I submit the following.

Requesting Member: Congressman JO BONNER

Bill Number: H.R. 3170, Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Federal Buildings Fund

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The Judiciary; U.S. General Services Administration (GSA)

Address of Requesting Entity: Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building One Columbus Circle, NE Washington, DC 20544; 1800 F. Street, NW, Washington DC 20405

Description of Request: Provide a judicially directed earmark of \$96,000,000 to construct a new Mobile United States Courthouse, Alabama (approximately \$2,600,000 for additional site acquisition; \$6,000,000 for additional design; \$87,400,000 construction account). The existing courthouse was originally constructed in 1932. There are major security concerns, such as the need to use public hallways and public elevators to transport prisoners, and no holding cells adjacent to the courtrooms. There are HVAC and mold problems in most of the courthouse and a serious lack of space, making it necessary to stack court documents and office supplies in hallways and on stairwell landings. Once GSA constructs the facility, the court will occupy the new courthouse and pay rent to GSA for the building. The Mobile metro area is projected to be among the fastest growing metropolitan areas in the country. The Judiciary FY10 request was \$190,300,000; therefore, approximately \$94,300,000 is needed to complete construction of this ongoing project.

CONGRATULATING THE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER FOR DENTON COUNTY ON THE RIBBON CUTTING OF ITS NEW FACILITY

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Children's Advocacy Center for Denton County on the completion and ribbon cutting of its new facility in Lewisville, Texas. After providing justice and healing for abused children in North Texas for over 10 years, the CACDC will now be able to open its doors to more families and children in need.

What began in 1994 as a task force is now a symbol of hope for abused children and their families in Denton County. The brand new 14,000 square foot facility will allow the CACDC to better serve a growing community.

Prior to the formation of the CACDC, there was no adequate facility to care for the victims of child abuse cases. Children often underwent questioning in frightening environments by investigators who were not trained to work with child abuse victims. Today, the CACDC provides resources to child abuse victims and their families, hosts a comfortable environment to counsel abused children, and fights to ensure that abusers are prosecuted. The Center works hard to give children the care and encouragement they need to move past the trauma of abuse.

I am proud of the noble and devoted community leaders, such as the CACDC volunteer

board of directors, Executive Director Dan Leal, and countless others who have helped grow the Center into the safe haven it is today. I am honored to represent the people of the Children's Advocacy Center for Denton County in the 26th District of Texas, and I offer them my congratulations, and endless appreciation.

IN HONOR OF HOMESTEADING AND THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORVELT

HON. JOHN P. MURTHA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. MURTHA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 75th Anniversary of Norvelt. This community, located in Mount Pleasant Township in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, was originally named Westmoreland Homestead. It was created to demonstrate how a homesteading community could assist displaced coal miners. In the early 1900s, western Pennsylvania had emerged as the world leader in mining bituminous-coal, but the Great Depression caused the mining industry to falter, causing massive job loss and severe wage reductions.

While driving through impoverished mining towns and witnessing first hand the severe poverty the families were enduring, First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt became deeply concerned. Many houses she visited had upwards of ten people sharing one bed and some families were so poor they were living in abandoned coke ovens. Mrs. Roosevelt believed that subsistence housing would provide for a better quality of life for the impoverished citizens. Her husband, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, supported his wife's vision by establishing the homesteading movement in the New Deal. The new homesteading community in Westmoreland County eventually changed its name to "Norvelt" in honor of Eleanor Roosevelt.

In contrast to previous "patch towns," where miners were almost entirely dependent on their employers, the new homestead enabled residents to be self-reliant. The community was 772 acres and sustained 254 homes. The new residents, who came from the older, surrounding communities, assisted in the construction of their new residences and were responsible for the painting.

Each modest house came with a tract of land that enabled families to grow their own food. Every family received several dozen chickens, as well as agricultural tools, trees, and bushes. The First Lady also pushed for each home to have a refrigerator and washing machine, as she believed that everyone deserved to have some comforts in life. Personal garages also served as a symbol of hope that one day each family would own its own car. Every month, families would pay rent which ultimately went towards the purchase of their homes.

Today Madam Speaker, as our country faces economic hardship, we can look to the example of the past residents of Norvelt as they worked hard in the hope of a better future.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOE BARTON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BARTON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE BARTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Receiving Entity: The City of Arlington

Address of Receiving Entity: 101 W. Abram, P.O. 90231, MS 01–0310, Arlington, TX 76004–0231

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,500,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Corps of Engineers—Construction account for The City of Arlington.

The funding would be used for flood damage reduction, restoration of the floodplain and its riparian areas and the development of a linear park with passive recreational facilities.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE BARTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill

Account: Department of Energy—Fossil Energy R&D

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: The University of Texas at Arlington

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 South Nedderman Drive, 346 Davis Hall, Arlington, TX 76019

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,000,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Department of Energy—Fossil Energy R&D account for The University of Texas at Arlington.

The funding would be used to develop technology that will allow the conversion of homeland natural resource hydrocarbons, such as coal, oil sands, crude, oil shale, bitars, agricultural wastes and industrial sludges, into more valuable forms of energy, such as clean, affordable gases, transportation fuels and heating oil.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE BARTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill

Account: Department of Energy—Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: The University of Texas at Arlington

Address of Receiving Entity: 701 South Nedderman Drive, 346 Davis Hall, Arlington, TX 76019

Description of Request: I have secured \$500,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Department of Energy—Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability account for The University of Texas at Arlington.

The funding would be used to purchase capital equipment, construction, and for salaries.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE BARTON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations
Legal Name of Receiving Entity: The City of Kennedale

Address of Receiving Entity: 405 Municipal Dr., Kennedale, TX 76060

Description of Request: I have secured \$500,000 in funding in H.R. 3183 in the Corps of Engineers—Investigations account for The City of Kennedale.

The funding would be used for a study conducted by the Corps of Engineers to determine the engineering, economic, and environmental feasibility of constructing a flood control project within the Upper Trinity River Basin.

HONORING BRANDON PARKS

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, today I rise in recognition of a recent graduate of the Los Angeles police academy who excelled in every aspect of his training and will, no doubt, serve and protect the people of Los Angeles with respect, honor and commitment.

Brandon Parks, 28, the son of my senior advisor Mariana Parks, and an Army veteran who served in Iraq, is now patrolling the streets of the Foothill District in northern Los Angeles. I'm confident a young, responsible and highly motivated young man such as Brandon is enjoying his first days and weeks on the force just as I did years ago for the King County Sheriff's Department.

But today, Madam Speaker, I want to focus my remarks on the exceptional way Brandon conducted himself during his 24-week training at the Los Angeles Police Academy. Arriving to the academy every morning at 6:00 a.m., a typical day for Brandon and his fellow recruits consisted of running, writing, shooting, thinking, perceiving and everything else in between. No matter the amount of physical, mental and emotional fatigue Brandon may have felt, he graduated on June 19 with outstanding final marks: a 99.5 average in his report writing and academic testing, a 91 average in grueling physical training and a 97.6 average conducting his tactical scenarios. Because of his excellent scores, Brandon was honored at the graduation ceremony with the Academic Achievement award, Top Physical Conditioning award and the William H. Parker award for overall excellence. The 'overall excellence' award named after Mr. Parker—a former police chief for the LAPD who served admirably in WWII—is especially befitting an Army veteran such as Brandon.

Again, Madam Speaker, Brandon is the son of my senior advisor, Mariana Parks, and I know she is one of the proudest mothers in the world. I also know Brandon's grandparents on Whidbey Island, Washington, Joe and Jaynie Putnam, are extremely proud of Brandon and his accomplishments. Of course, this House owes Brandon a debt of gratitude for his service in Iraq and I am eager to follow his career serving as a dedicated law enforcement officer.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. W. TODD AKIN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. AKIN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman TODD AKIN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183
Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Monarch-Chesterfield Levee District

Address of Requesting Entity: 17627 Wildhorse Creek Rd., Chesterfield, MO 63005, USA

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$3.331 million to complete construction of closure structures and pump stations. Funding from this request could be used to construct the Baxter Road closure structure and initiate design of the Walnut Grove flood wall at Long Road. These structures will augment completed earth works that provide 500-year protection to over 700 businesses. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Army Corps of Engineers, Construction account and has previously been authorized by the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2000, Section 101(b)(18). The Monarch-Chesterfield Levee District will provide its cost share in accordance with Federal cost-sharing requirements for Federal flood protection projects, 65 percent Federal, 35 percent non-Federal, and the non-Federal funding will come directly from the Levee District.

Requesting Member: Congressman TODD AKIN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Operation and Maintenance

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District

Address of Requesting Entity: 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, MO 63103

Description of Request: Provides an earmark of \$44.130 million This project extends from the mouth of the Missouri River at St. Louis 105 miles upstream to the tail waters of Lock and Dam 22. Funds could be used for current-year O&M as well as for deferred maintenance on an aging system of locks and dams (Locks and Dams 24, 25, and 26 (Mel Price)). Basic Operation & Maintenance would provide a nine-foot navigation channel, regulating works, dike and revetment, dredging, environmental compliance and environmental stewardship.

Requesting Member: Congressman TODD AKIN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District

Address of Requesting Entity: Clock Tower Bldg, PO Box 2004, Rock Island, IL 61204

Description of Request: Provides an earmark of \$20 million. This project addresses

adverse impacts to the aquatic ecosystem caused by maintenance of the river's navigation channel. This includes habitat rehabilitation and measures to determine if enhancement projects are effectively preserving and improving fish and wildlife habitat on the river.

Requesting Member: Congressman TODD AKIN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Valley Park

Address of Requesting Entity: 320 Benton, Valley Park, Missouri 63088

Description of Request: Provides an earmark of \$600,000. The flood control portions of this 3.2 mile levee project in St. Louis County, Missouri on the left descending bank of the Meramec River are largely complete. Funds would be used to install seepage controls at railroad embankment, prepare the final operation and maintenance manuals, prep final as-built drawings, conduct final reviews and audits, and perform financial close-out of the flood damage reduction component of the project.

RECOGNIZING CATHERINE SOO
JUNG HAN

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Catherine Soo Jung Han. Ms. Han is a second generation Korean who, in taking after her late father, tirelessly dedicates her time to the well-being of others in the community. Ms. Han's father was a Tae Kwon Do Master in Chicago and he would often give up his own possessions in order to help those in need.

Ms. Han is currently a board member with the Korean American Resource and Cultural Center. She served as Board President from 2006 to 2008 and as Board Secretary from 2003 to 2006. Ms. Han has been instrumental in the KRCC's Project Participate, which registers, educates and mobilizes over 8,000 Korean-American voters in local, state, and federal elections.

Ms. Han is currently the only female performer in Il Kwa Nori, the KRCC's professional pungmul, traditional Korean drumming, troupe which performs both within and outside the Korean American community 25 times annually. In addition to performing, Ms. Han teaches youth workshops in drumming. Her influence on youth extends further for she encourages children she helps to make volunteerism a priority in their lives.

I am honored to recognize Catherine Soo Jung Han. She exemplifies the values of integrity and compassion, and those who have been inspired by her will be the living legacy of both her efforts and her father's. I thank her and those who have joined her in strengthening the community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately I missed recorded votes on the House floor on Tuesday, July 14, 2009.

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall vote No. 531 (on Motion to Adjourn); "nay" on rollcall vote No. 532 (on Motion to Adjourn), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 533 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 612), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 534 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 469), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 535 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 1037), "yea" on rollcall vote No. 536 (on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 402).

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Bill: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Section 205

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Army Corps of Engineers North Atlantic Division, located at Jacob K. Javits Federal Building, 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2109, and New York, NY 10278-0090

Description of Request: H.R. 3183 lists the Jackson Brook project under the Section 205 CAP Program, which is authorized by Congress. The funding would be used for completion of design. Flood damages have occurred to the homes and property located on the lower part of the Jackson Brook Watershed, as well as damages to the public park facilities. Flooding has caused siltation in Hedden Pond.

Bill: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Army Corps of Engineers North Atlantic Division, located at Jacob K. Javits Federal Building, 26 Federal Plaza, Room 2109, and New York, NY 10278-0090 Description of Request: H.R. 3183 includes \$5,000,000 for the Passaic River Basin Flood Management project, which is authorized by Congress. The funding would be used for the continued acquisition and removal from the State defined Floodway of homes along the Passaic River. The authorization specifies that

the buy-outs are to be from willing sellers. The flooding has long been a problem in the Passaic River Basin resulting in significant property loss and the loss of life.

Bill: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, Office of Science

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding for this project is the College of Saint Elizabeth located at 2 Convent Station, Morristown, NJ 07960.

Description of Request: H.R. 3183 includes \$1,000,000 for the College of Saint Elizabeth. It is my understanding the funding will assist the College with the partial renovation of the teaching and learning spaces dedicated to Nursing, Allied Health Studies, Health Care Management, and Foods and Nutrition programs. Additionally, the funding will assist the college with renovation of the teaching and learning spaces dedicated to programs in Biology, Chemistry, Applied Science, and Mathematics. The funding will provide for design, construction, and outfitting of classroom, lab, research and support spaces for these programs. The physical renewal of these spaces is being undertaken in conjunction with significant curricular revision of the College's undergraduate program with the goal of aligning pedagogy, technology, and teaching and learning spaces in ways that will better serve the educational needs of the wide range of students who use these facilities on a regular basis.

Bill: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, EERE
Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding is Morris County Improvement Authority located at P.O. Box 900, Morristown, NJ 07960-0900.

Description of Request: H.R. 3183 includes \$2,000,000 for the Morris County Renewable Energy Initiative. It is my understanding that the funding would be used for the Morris County Renewable Energy Initiative for design, acquisition and installation of renewable energy equipment and facilities such as solar panels.

BM: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, EERE
Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding for this project is the Newark Museum located at 49 Washington Street, Newark, NJ 07102.

Description of Request: H.R. 3183 includes \$500,000 for the Newark Museum. It is my understanding that the funding would be used for green energy enhancements including various applications of water to water heat pumps, geothermal heating and photovoltaic collection units. It is my understanding that the Museum will be one of the most energy efficient in the United States and will be a model for future institutions.

Bill: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, EERE
Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The entity to receive funding is Somerset County located at 20 Grove Street, P.O. Box

3000, Somerville, NJ 08876. Description of Request: H.R. 3183 includes \$2,000,000 for the Somerset County Renewable Energy Initiative. It is my understanding that the funding would be used for the Somerset County Renewable Energy Initiative for design, acquisition and installation of renewable energy equipment and facilities such as solar panels.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LEONARD LANCE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. LANCE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—the FY 2010 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act:

Army Corps of Engineers (Investigations), Millstone River Basin, NJ Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Study—\$250,000. The funding would be used to continue the federally authorized feasibility study to develop flood damage reduction and ecosystem restoration alternatives in the Millstone River Basin. The entity to receive this funding is: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278

Army Corps of Engineers (Investigations) Rahway River Basin, NJ Flood Damage Reduction and Ecosystem Restoration Study—\$300,000.

The funding would be used to continue the federally authorized feasibility study to develop flood damage reduction and ecosystem restoration alternatives in the Rahway River Basin.

The entity to receive this funding is: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New York District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY 10278

Department of Energy (EERE) Energy Audit, Efficiency Improvements, and Renewable Energy Installations, Township of Branchburg, NJ—\$1,000,000.

The funding would be used for engineering, construction and administrative costs for the design and installation of NJ Clean Energy Program—local government energy audit energy efficiency improvements and for the installation of Renewable Energy Installations (solar power) for major components of Branchburg Township Buildings and Grounds facilities.

The entity to receive this funding is: Township of Branchburg, 1077 Highway 202 North, Branchburg Township, NJ 08876

Department of Energy (EERE) Municipal Building Energy Efficient Window Replacement Program, Township of Cranford, NJ—\$180,000.

This money will be spent to reduce the energy costs of heating and air-conditioning the Municipal Building by replacing 45 old windows that were built in 1960 with energy efficient windows.

The entity to receive this funding is: Township of Cranford, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TODD TIAHRT

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. TIAHRT. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the February 2008 New Republican Earmark Standards Guidance, I submit the following in regards to H.R. 3183, the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act:

Bureau of Reclamation—Wichita Project, Equus Beds Division, Kansas. H.R. 3183, the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act contains \$600,000 for the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project in the Bureau of Reclamation's Water and Related Resources account. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Wichita, located at City Hall, 455 North Main, Wichita, KS 67202.

The funding would be used for funding the design on Phase II of the Equus Beds Aquifer Storage and Recovery project.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—El Dorado Lake, Kansas. H.R. 3183, the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act contains \$1,586,000 for El Dorado Lake, Kansas, in the Corps of Engineers' Operations and Management account. The entity to receive funding for this project is the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Tulsa District located at 1645 S. 101 East Ave., Tulsa, OK 74128.

The funding would be used to remote control the flood gates to improve efficiencies within the Tulsa district.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Wichita Area Drainage Master Plan, Kansas. H.R. 3183, the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act contains \$550,000 for Collection and Study of Basic Data—Flood Plain Management Services, Wichita Area Drainage Master Plan, Kansas in the Corps of Engineers' Investigations account. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Wichita, located at City Hall, 455 North Main, Wichita, KS 67202.

Funding will be used to conduct a drainage master plan for the Wichita area. Development of a Wichita Area Drainage Master Plan will ensure the economic wellbeing of the Wichita area by providing a comprehensive plan for addressing drainage issues.

Department of Energy—National Institute for Aviation Research, Advanced Materials Research. H.R. 3183, the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act contains \$1,500,000 for the National Institute for Aviation Research, Advanced Materials Research, in the Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy account. The entity to receive funding for this project is Wichita State University located at 1845 Fairmount St, Wichita, KS 67260.

The funding would be used for green wind energy and sustainability research activities.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership stand-

ards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (AL)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers, Section 206 account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Phenix City, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: 601 12th Street, Phenix City, Alabama 36867

Description of Request: "Chattahoochie River Dam Removal" Taxpayer justification—It is my understanding that this funding will be used to remove two small, under utilized and outdated low-head dams, restore fish habitat for the shoal bass and other species in a 2.3 mile stretch of the Chattahoochee River and allow the use of a natural white-water course for related recreation consistent with Corps planning policy. Together these project objectives will improve fish habitat and environmental quality and advance ecotourism and economic development for Alabama and Georgia communities.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (AL)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: DOE, EERE account, \$1,500,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: 102 Samford Hall, Auburn, Alabama 36849

Description of Request: "Auburn University, Biomass to Liquid Fuels and Electric Power Research" taxpayer justification—It is my understanding that the funding will help the development of renewable, liquid transportation fuel alternatives from domestic sources, will improve U.S. energy security by decreasing our dependence on foreign oil sources, development of renewable energy systems will reduce net greenhouse gas emissions, and the development of integrated biorefining systems that can produce liquid fuels from biomass will create new jobs in rural communities throughout the U.S.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (AL)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: DOE, EERE account, \$300,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind, Talladega, AL

Address of Requesting Entity: 205 E. South Street, Talladega, Alabama 35161

Description of Request: "Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind Biodiesel Project Green" taxpayer justification—It is my understanding that the funding will implement a multifaceted biodiesel training, production and public education program. AIDB views alternative energy projects, like Project Green, as a viable means to not only reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil, but to also to deflect fuel prices, support local agriculture, aid city sewer infrastructures, cleanse the environment, lower carbon dioxide emissions, educate Alabama's youth, promote public awareness and develop work skills among those with disabilities (an untapped labor pool) that can transfer into a variety of employment settings. It is an excellent model for replication on a national scale.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RANDY NEUGEBAUER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. NEUGEBAUER. Madam Speaker, I was absent from votes on July 13, 2009 due to a flight delay. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall No. 530.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANH "JOSEPH" CAO

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CAO. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2892—the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010:

As requested by me, Rep. ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 2892—the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010, provides for the City of New Orleans Emergency Medical Services ("EMS"), New Orleans, LA in support of an Emergency Operations Center. This is in the FEMA—State and Local Programs—Emergency Operations Center Account in the amount of \$750,000. This will benefit the City of New Orleans, 1300 Perdido Street, Suite 4W07, New Orleans, LA 70112 in the form of upgrades and retrofitting of a new permanent Emergency Operations Center for the city's sole 9–1–1 emergency medical service provider. This funding will help secure and store equipment and medication, and provide a training center and base of operations for the emergency medical services. Currently, Emergency Medical Services are operating from a pairing of FEMA trailers staged underneath the Crescent City Connection overpass. Moving to the new facility on City Park Avenue and making the proposed changes to the facility will provide for the critical operational needs. Having a secure medication and equipment storage area, training areas, and a protected emergency operations center will help the department serve the citizens of New Orleans and better secure the city.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the policies and standards put forth by the House Appropriations Committee and the GOP Leadership, I would like to place in the RECORD a listing of the congressionally-directed projects I have requested in my home state of Idaho that are contained in the report of HR 3183, the FY2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill.

Project Name: City of Boise Geothermal Expansion to Boise State University
Amount Received: \$1,000,000
Account: DOE Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Geothermal Technology

Recipient: City of Boise

Recipient's Street Address: 150 N Capitol Boulevard, Third Floor, Boise, Idaho 83702
Description: The Boise City geothermal system currently provides a low cost, environmentally sound, sustainable, locally provided heat source to commercial and publicly owned buildings in downtown Boise. Geothermal heat is considered a renewable source of energy and does not rely on fossil fuels, nuclear power, mining or damming of rivers and emits zero emissions into the atmosphere. This project will extend the City of Boise geothermal pipeline system to Boise State University and would have the capacity to heat almost two million square feet on the campus. As global energy costs increase, the expansion to increased facilities will provide significant cost savings.

Project Name: Idaho Accelerator Center Production of Medical Isotopes
Amount Received: \$1,500,000
Account: DOE Office of Science
Recipient: Idaho State University
Recipient's Street Address: 921 South 8th Avenue, Pocatello, ID 83209

Description: The National Academy of Sciences recently issued a report recommending that the federal government increase support to radionuclide production, distribution and basic research in production mechanisms; increase the domestic production of medical radionuclides through dedicated accelerators and reactors; and educate the next generation of medically-related nuclear scientists. The Idaho Accelerator Center (IAC) will develop a medical isotope production facility that will serve regional isotope needs, conduct basic research in isotope production, educate the next generation of medically-related nuclear scientists, and partner with regional and national entities in medical isotope distribution and use. This program will meet regional and national needs in education and isotope production and provide new isotopes that are not currently part of the national isotope portfolio. IAC will complement, supplement and enhance DOE's National Isotope Program.

Project Name: Idaho National Laboratory Center for Advanced Energy Studies (CAES)
Amount Received: \$1,000,000
Account: DOE Office of Science
Recipient: Idaho National Laboratory
Recipient's Street Address: 2525 North Freemont St., Idaho Falls, Idaho 83415

Description: CAES is a partnership between the State of Idaho and its academic research institutions, the federal government through the U.S. Department of Energy and the Idaho National Laboratory managed by the Battelle Energy Alliance, LLC. Through its collaborative structure, CAES combines the efforts of these institutions to provide timely energy research on both technical and policy issues. The funds provided will procure world-class computation and visualization research equipment to be located in the CAES research laboratory. These research tools will enable both critical-path scientific research and graduate education programs focused on such twenty-first century energy challenges as the availability of carbon-neutral renewable energy, such as biofuels for transportation; the stewardship of the environment including water resource management through energy efficiency; the management of fossil fuel energy systems; and the expansion of energy production from commercial nuclear power while edu-

cating the next generation of scientists, engineers, policy makers and the public.

Project Name: Little Wood River Ecosystem Restoration
Amount Received: \$100,000
Account: Corps of Engineers
Recipient: City of Gooding, Idaho
Recipient's Street Address: 308 5th Ave. West, Gooding, ID 83330

Description: This funding was authorized in the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 and would be used to repair and replace an aging WPA/CCC project that channeled the Little Wood River through the City of Gooding, Idaho. The project will remove and replace the existing rock wall and the boxed culverts that severely restrict the stream channel flow. Approximately 1.5 miles of the Little Wood River flow within Gooding city limits. Over the years, aging along with high water and ice jam events have caused severe deterioration of the masonry rock walls constructed in the 1930s and 40s in order to protect the city from floods. Large portions of the existing lava rock walls that line the Little Wood River through the city are structurally unserviceable and many have failed and fallen into the channel. This deterioration has increased at an alarming rate. The Corps of Engineers and the City of Gooding have been working on a solution for this rock wall failure for the past 20 years. The Army Corps has completed the Reconnaissance Study and the General Investigation Study, but the project has been on hold due to a lack of funding.

Project Name: Rural Idaho Section 595
Amount Received: \$5,000,000
Account: Corps of Engineers
Recipient: Walla Walla District Corps of Engineers
Recipient's Street Address: Boise Field Office, 304 8th St., Rm. 140, Boise, ID 83702–5802

Description: The funding was authorized in the Water Resources Development Act of 2007. This funding is critical to assisting rural Idaho communities in upgrading their water and wastewater treatment facilities. In many cases, this funding is required to comply with unfunded mandates passed down by this Congress and federal agencies. In addition, these funds help rural communities in Idaho trying to attract new businesses and spur economic development. The vital water funding in this bill will assist rural communities in job creation and affordable housing by offering improved services at lower costs than would otherwise be possible. This request is consistent with the intended purpose of this account. Funding will be directed primarily to the Eastern Idaho Regional Wastewater Authority in Shelley, Idaho.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide a list of Congressionally-directed projects in the report accompanying the FY2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill on behalf of Idaho and provide an explanation of my support for them.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, consistent with the House Republican Leadership's policy

on earmarks, to the best of my knowledge the requests I have detailed below are (1) not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; and (2) not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark. As required by earmark standards adopted by the House Republican Conference, I submit the following information on projects I requested and were included in the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010 (H.R. 3183).

Account: Bureau of Reclamation—Water and Related Resources

Project Name: Deschutes Project

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Deschutes Basin Board of Control, PO Box 919, Madras, OR 97741

Project Location: Deschutes County, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3183 appropriates \$482,000 for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Deschutes Project. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used by the Bureau of Reclamation in coordination with the Deschutes Basin Board of Control (consists of the seven primary irrigation districts in Central Oregon) to pursue water conservation, piping, lining and efficiency projects that will improve irrigation efficiencies, and result in increased in-stream flows benefiting federally-listed steelhead and bull trout in the Deschutes and Crooked Rivers and their tributaries. The Deschutes Basin Board of Control states in their request that these projects will provide a broad array of economic and environmental benefits to central Oregonians.

Account: Bureau of Reclamation—Water and Related Resources

Project Name: Savage Rapids Dam Removal

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Grants Pass Irrigation District, 200 Fruitdale Drive, Grants Pass, OR 97527

Project Location: Savage Rapids Dam, Grants Pass, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3183 appropriates \$1,160,000 for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Savage Rapids Dam Removal project. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used by the Bureau of Reclamation to complete installation, testing, and operation of electric pumps and to complete removal of a major portion of the Savage Rapids Dam on the Rogue River, Oregon. The Grants Pass Irrigation District states that this project, which was authorized by P.L. 108–137, is a justified use of taxpayer funding because it will restore significant portions of the Rogue Wild and Scenic River to a free-flowing river by removing the dam as an impediment to passage of federally-listed fish species.

Account: Corps of Engineers—Section 206

Project Name: Camp Creek, Zumwalt Prairie Preserve, OR

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: The Nature Conservancy in Oregon, 821 SE 14th Avenue, Portland, OR 97214

Project Location: Wallowa County, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3183 provides Corps of Engineers Section 206 status for the Camp Creek, Zumwalt Prairie Preserve in Oregon. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used by the Corps of Engineers for site work on this

ecosystem restoration project, including the removal of small push-up dams and to restore aquatic and riparian habitats within the upper Camp Creek watershed in The Nature Conservancy's Zumwalt Prairie Preserve in Wallowa County. The Nature Conservancy states in its request that this project is a justified use of taxpayer funding because it will create approximately 15 to 20 temporary and full-time jobs and support the restoration of aquatic and riparian habitat conditions along six miles of spawning habitat for Snake River Steelhead.

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations
Project Name: Walla Walla Watershed, OR & WA

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, PO Box 638, Pendleton, OR 97801

Project Location: Umatilla, Wallowa, and Union Counties in Oregon, Walla Walla and Columbia County in Washington

Description of Project: H.R. 3183 appropriates \$203,000 for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to continue the general investigations of the Walla Walla Watershed project. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used by the Corps of Engineers for the feasibility report/environmental impact statement (FR/EIS) and to initiate pre-engineering and design based on findings and recommendations of the ER/EIS. Moreover, the project will provide restoration and management tools needed to help create a viable ecosystem within the Walla Walla River Basin for federally-listed bull trout and steelhead. The requesting entity states that this project is a justified use of taxpayer funding because the ER/EIS will promote the fulfillment of a Treaty reserved right of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation.

Account: Department of Energy—EERE

Project Name: Christmas Valley Renewable Energy Development

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon Department of Energy, 625 Marion St. NE, Salem, OR 97301

Project Location: Christmas Valley, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3183 appropriates \$410,000 for the Oregon Department of Energy's Christmas Valley Renewable Energy Development project. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used to conduct renewable energy assessments at the former site of the Air Combat Command Radar Transmitter located in Christmas Valley, Oregon. Specifically, the project will fund assessments of wind, solar and geothermal energy resources. Over the years, the US Air Force and Bureau of Land Management have left intact the mothballed facility's massive electrical transmission lines and support infrastructure that will someday allow for renewable energy development. The requesting entity states that this project is a justified use of taxpayer funding because it would advance the utilization of various renewable resources while providing a significant economic boost to the local economy of Lake County, Oregon which currently has a seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 12.8 percent.

Account: Department of Energy—EERE

Project Name: Geothermal Power Generation Plant at Oregon Institute of Technology

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Oregon Institute of Technology, 3201 Campus Drive, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

Project Location: Klamath Falls, Oregon

Description of Project: H.R. 3183 appropriates \$1,000,000 for Oregon Institute of Technology's Geothermal Power Generation Plant. According to the requesting entity, the appropriated funds for this project will be used to help construct a high-temperature geothermal power plant on the Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT) campus. The plant will eventually provide 100 percent of the electricity demands and hot water supply to the campus and it would be the first flash steam geothermal power plant in Oregon. When the Geothermal Power Generation Plant is complete, OIT will be the only campus in the world to satisfy all of its electricity needs from an on-site geothermal energy source. The requesting entity states that this project is a justified use of taxpayer funding because it would serve as a demonstration tool and educational training facility for OIT students and faculty.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JEAN SCHMIDT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mrs. SCHMIDT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JEAN SCHMIDT

Bill number: H.R. 3183

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction General

Requesting entity: City of Cincinnati/Cincinnati Park Board, 950 Eden Park Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202; and

Summary: \$4.9 million provided for Ohio Riverfront, Cincinnati, OH, to continue construction of Phase I. Project authorization in PL 110–114, Section 5116, (WRDA 2007). Funds will be used to continue construction of flood-tolerant, stabilized river bank that will become riverfront park linking Central Riverfront attractions to Downtown Cincinnati. Project is key to efforts to revitalize downtown Cincinnati.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MARK E. SOUDER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. SOUDER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MARK SOUDER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southwest Allen County Schools

Address of Requesting Entity: 4810 Homestead Road, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46814

Description of Request: The “green” roof will bring the following environmental benefits: (1) reduced energy consumption and related energy cost savings for Summit Middle School; (2) cleaner air as the vegetation converts carbon dioxide to oxygen; and (3) reduced flooding as the vegetation absorbs excess rainwater. Fort Wayne area students will receive hands-on learning experiences relating to green building techniques. Students relate well to environmental education, and many teachers are beginning to include environmental messages with their traditional subjects. The proposed vegetative roof would provide teachers a creative asset to be leveraged to educate Fort Wayne area students. The power generated by this project will reduce the overall power consumption of Summit Middle School and reduce the utility bill of the Southwest Allen County Schools. The School District’s taxpayers will benefit not only from a more efficient school system with a leaner budget, but the demonstration nature of this project will enable other school districts to see the value and learn the methods for such a project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE WILSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183—the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 69A Hagood Avenue, Charleston, SC 29403

Description of Request: I have secured \$2,500,000 for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This will fund the Army Corps of Engineers Charleston office to maintain 210 miles of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway in South Carolina, from the North Carolina–South Carolina state line above Little River Inlet to Port Royal Sound near Hilton Head. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN L. MICA

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. MICA. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY10 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act Army Corps of Engineers, General Investigations

Account Flagler Beach Shoreline Protection Project.

I have received \$233,000 in the FY10 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The entity to receive funding for this project is Flagler County, 1769 East Moody Blvd, Bunnell, FL 32110. The FY 2010 funding will complete the feasibility study of the Flagler County shoreline which was begun with funding provided in FY 2004.

The shoreline of the City of Flagler Beach has experienced critical erosion that threatens State Road A1A, which serves as an emergency evacuation route. A1A was closed in Flagler Beach for the month of January, 2006 as the road was completely washed away due to erosion. The erosion also has caused a severe loss of public recreation opportunities and a degradation of environmental habitat. The beach is so narrow that the high tide line extends into the existing revetment, making it unsuitable as nesting habitat for sea turtles and almost unusable for recreational purposes. The City believes that restoration of the beach is a primary component of preserving safe passage along A1A while also providing public recreational opportunities and environmental habitat.

Army Corps of Engineers, Construction Account, St. Johns Shoreline Protection Project.

I have received \$700,000 in the FY10 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The entity to receive funding for this project is St. Johns County, 2740 Industry Center Road, St. Augustine, FL 32084. Federal funding will allow the Army Corps of Engineers to complete the St. Johns feasibility study and proceed to preconstruction engineering and design. The study area will include all of St. Johns County, including the South Ponte Vedra Beach area.

The shoreline of St. Johns has experienced significant erosion due to tropical storms and major hurricanes, particularly Hurricane Floyd of 1999 and the Hurricanes of 2004. This project is currently authorized by the Water Resources Development Acts of 1986 and 1999, which seeks to lessen down drift shoreline impacts caused by the federal navigation channel at St. Augustine Inlet, and to provide strong damage protection to the shore. The Army Corps of Engineers will begin supplemental nourishment in 2010 due to the recent storm damages and the third Renourishment of the St. Augustine Beaches scheduled in 2010 will begin the design phase also this year. The approximately \$700,000 dollar design and \$15 million dollar construction project will require about \$1.85 million from the County and \$1.2 million from the State as a local match. This is a shore protection project with continuing Renourishment anticipated every five years. Federal assistance is necessary and in dire need to provide protection to the coastline.

Department of Energy, Science Account Bethune-Cookman University STEM Research Lab.

I have received \$250,000 in the FY10 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The entity to receive funding for this project is Bethune-Cookman, 640 Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard, Daytona Beach, FL 32114.

Bethune-Cookman’s School of Science, Engineering and Mathematics provides specialized training for students majoring in biology, chemistry, computer engineering, computer

science, mathematics and physics. The School of Science, Engineering and Mathematics is housed in the Gross Science Hall which was built in 1948 and has not been renovated or upgraded since 1972. Much of the original classrooms, laboratories and equipment are still in use today. Federal funding will allow Bethune-Cookman to update and expand a 10,000 square foot wing of aging laboratories, classrooms and equipment in the Gross Science Hall. The upgrades are needed to accommodate the increasing numbers of students who are majoring in STEM fields at B-CU, provide these students with the educational benefits of up-to-date technology and modern equipment, and provide university students and faculty researchers with the technological capability to engage in research projects. The upgrades will include two “clean” labs, safe spaces for storage of chemicals, modern ventilation equipment, electronically enhanced lecture classrooms/theatres integrating computer, multimedia and network technology and “ill” feature technologies that help the environment and reduce energy costs.

Army Corps of Engineers, O&M Account, Intracoastal Waterway, Jacksonville to Miami, Florida.

Along with Representatives CRENSHAW; HASTINGS; KLEIN; KOSMAS; MEEK; ROSELEHTINEN; WASSERMAN SCHULTZ; and WEXLER; I have received \$4,500,000 in the FY10 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Florida Inland Navigation District, 1314 Marcinski Road, Jupiter, FL 33477.

The funds would be used to dredge the Intracoastal Waterway in two locations: Matanzas Inlet (St. Johns County) and in the vicinity of St. Augustine. In addition, funds will be used towards the 1) Restoration of Dredged Material Management Area in St. Johns County and 2) Construction of Dredged Material Management Area in Indian River County. Dredging the Intracoastal Waterway will allow for navigation of the channel by commercial and recreational vessels along the entire east coast of Florida. The project will restore protected freshwater wetlands. The Intracoastal Waterway in Florida annually transports over 1.7 million tons of commercial cargo and over 500,000 recreational vessels; increases property values by up to \$22.3 billion; and provides \$16.2 billion in economic output that includes \$4.8 billion in personal wages and 110,400 jobs. Studies have shown that these benefits would be reduced by over 50% if the waterway is not properly maintained.

RECOGNIZING REGGIE FLEMING

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, Saturday morning the well-loved hockey player, Reggie Fleming, passed away. As a former player on the Chicago Blackhawks and a member of the “Hawks” team that won the Stanley Cup in 1961, Reggie left a lasting impact on the city of Chicago.

In four seasons with the Blackhawks, Reggie spent over 455 minutes in the penalty

box, making his mark as a hard-nosed player. He called himself the "policeman of the team," remarking that though he was not the highest scorer, he did what he loved: played hockey.

Though he moved on to play elsewhere, Reggie's home was always Chicago. Even after his days ended in the NHL, he continued to do what he loved, returning to our city to play for the World Hockey Association's Chicago Cougars.

After falling ill five years ago, he moved to a rehabilitation facility, where he fought a brave battle against illness and where his son Chris, a noted filmmaker, documented his father's memories of his finest moments. He says that his father's roughness on the ice was not mirrored off it.

Our sympathies go out to Chris, his sister Kelly, and the rest of the Fleming family in this difficult time. Reggie will be long remembered as a hockey player, family man, and true Chicagoan, not only by his family, but by many around Chicago and across America.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JEFF FORTENBERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. FORTENBERRY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on member requests, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmarks I received as part of the FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill:

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Project Name: Antelope Creek Flood Damage Reduction Project

Amount: \$5,697,000

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Lower Platte South Natural Resources District located at 3125 Portia Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68521.

Description: The Antelope Creek Flood Damage Reduction Project is a critical element of a flood control, transportation and community revitalization project known as the Antelope Valley Project. The project is being constructed in central Lincoln adjacent to the University of Nebraska Lincoln main campus to improve flood control, transportation networks and community well-being in the city's down-town area.

Essential to progress on the entire Antelope Valley Project is the completion of the flood damage reduction component. This multi-purpose project is a partnership of the City of Lincoln, the University of Nebraska Lincoln, and the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, along with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the federal Departments of Transportation and Housing and Urban Development. The project reduces flooding threats to over 800 dwellings and businesses and 1,200 floodplain residents and removes 100-year floodplain restrictions on 400 acres.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction

Project: Sand Creek Environmental Restoration Project

Amount: \$500,000

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Lower Platte North Natural Resources District located at 511 Commercial Park Road, Wahoo, Nebraska 68066.

Description: The Sand Creek Project will restore several types of historic wetlands and add to the national wetlands inventory in support of the Administration's "net gain" national wetlands policy. A quantitative analysis of all environmental outputs by the Corps of Engineers in addition to the Feasibility Study demonstrated a significant level of benefits for this wetland restoration project for the Lower Platte River watershed which serves the North American Central Flyway.

The Sand Creek Project supports the national goal of a net gain in American wetlands. Active pursuit of this goal also provides for improvements in water quality and water supply to achieve watershed improvement. Flooding in Wahoo along the U.S. 77 Expressway corridor occurred twice during 2006. Completion of the wetlands restoration structure will also provide flood damage reduction benefits on the roadway allowing completion of this expressway between Lincoln and Sioux City. This is a key segment of the expressway.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Project: Western Sarpy-Clear Creek Flood Damage Reduction Project

Amount: \$1,000,000

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District located at 8901 S. 154th Street, Omaha, NE 68138.

Description: The Western Sarpy-Clear Creek Flood Damage Reduction Project is vital to the health and well-being of a large number of Nebraskans. It is planned to protect vital drinking water resources that supply up to 50% of Nebraska's population in the eastern part of the state from flooding due to potential ice jams on the Platte River. Elected officials at local, regional and state levels in Nebraska have been long committed to this project's construction because of risk to water supplies and other infrastructure.

Significant construction progress towards completion is vital to Nebraska in the year ahead. The Congress has provided construction funding for the past four years in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act.

In 1993, flooding in the Lower Platte severed one-half of the City of Lincoln's water supply and catastrophe was again threatened in 1997 from ice-jam induced flooding. That portion of the new Omaha Metropolitan Utilities District well field on the western side of the Platte River now under development south of U.S. Highway 92 will also receive vital protection from this project. Treatment facilities for water from this well-field will be completed in the months ahead.

Additionally, this project is needed to provide protection to: I-80 and U.S. Highway 6; the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad, an Amtrak line; military facilities the National Guard Camp at Ashland; national telecommunication lines; and other public infrastructure.

Construction of a separate but companion levee at the Nebraska National Guard Camp at Ashland was fully funded by the Congress in the FY '04 Military Construction Appropriations Bill and is completed. Neither of these adjoining levees is effective without the other. Ice jams with the potential for flooding in the area around Camp Ashland and the I-80 Bridge where it crosses the Lower Platte River occurred again as recently as 2001 and will continue to be a significant threat until both of these projects are completed.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Section 205

Project Name: Fremont Section 205 Flood Control Study

Amount: No specific dollar amount

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Lower Platte North Natural Resources District located at 511 Commercial Park Road, Wahoo, Nebraska 68066

Description: This funding is for the federal share to complete the Fremont South Section 205 Flood Control Study. Funding for this Section 205 project will continue urgent feasibility planning to strengthen an existing flood control levee in order to remove a portion of South Fremont from the threat of flooding in the 100 year flood plain. This Fremont South area will be soon identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") as within the designated flood plain. The total cost of the project is \$1,086,000 split equally between the Corps of Engineers and the nonfederal sponsor.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Section 205

Project Name: Schuyler Section 205 Flood Control Study

Amount: No specific dollar amount

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Lower Platte North Natural Resources District located at 511 Commercial Park Road, Wahoo, Nebraska 68066

Description: This funding under the Section 205 authority is for the federal share to continue the Schuyler, Nebraska Flood Control Study. The amount requested will continue the Schuyler, Nebraska 205 Flood Control Study. The purpose of the study is to plan for mitigation of flooding in 40% of the city which is anticipated to be placed in the flood plain for the first time when designated by FEMA. The total cost of the study is \$772,000 split equally between the Corps of Engineers and the non-federal sponsor.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Energy Efficiency and Renewable—Energy

Project Name: Sustainable Energy Options for Rural America

Amount: \$500,000

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: University of Nebraska-Lincoln located at 302 Canfield Administration Building, Lincoln, Nebraska 68588

Description: This funding would be used to research the most effective sustainable energy options for rural Nebraska and to establish

demonstration sites which will include the UNL Panhandle Research and Extension Center in Scottsbluff, the West Central Water Resources Field Lab near North Platte, the Gudmundsen Sandhills Laboratory near Whitman, and two sites in eastern Nebraska. Alternative energy technologies to be considered include wind, solar, anaerobic digestion (methane generation), gasification, direct burning of biomass, fuel cells, diesel engines converted to high compression ethanol engines, hybrid vehicles, and flex-fueled engines. Fuels to be considered include gasoline, diesel fuel, ethanol, bio-diesel, dimethyl ether, butanol, and syngas. Energy independence is one of our highest national priorities. This project addresses the need to pursue development of diverse, sustainable alternative energy sources.

Requesting Member: Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, FY10 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

Account: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Project Name: Switchgrass Biofuel Research: Carbon Sequestration and Life Cycle Analysis

Amount: \$250,000

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: University of Nebraska-Lincoln located at 302 Canfield Administration Building, Lincoln, Nebraska 68588

Description: The funding would be used to establish a production-scale switchgrass carbon sequestration and life cycle analysis research program. Research will focus on optimizing switchgrass production for use as a biofuel and developing improved life cycle analysis tools to determine greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions for federal compliance certification of refineries processing switchgrass into ethanol.

In the Midwest, switchgrass appears to be the most viable cellulosic feedstock for biofuels because it is a highly productive native grass species. The 2007 Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) requires that switchgrass biofuel systems meet a threshold reduction in GHG emissions of 60% compared to gasoline, and the Environmental Protection Agency will establish regulations based on the best available science. Initial life cycle analyses suggest switchgrass systems will only meet EISA thresholds if they sequester a substantial amount of carbon in soil. This analysis could be altered if switchgrass producers increase inputs (water, fertilizer, etc). Quantifying switchgrass carbon sequestration under varying input requirements is vital to developing this source of cellulosic ethanol.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF
ROBERT MILTON HOPE, SR.

HON. JO BONNER

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BONNER. Madam Speaker, the state of Alabama recently lost a dear friend, and I rise today to honor him and pay tribute to his memory.

Robert Milton Hope, Sr. was a native of Mobile and a 1942 graduate of Murphy High School. Following graduation, he joined the Merchant Marines and served in the Pacific on

a cargo ship during World War II. After the war ended, Mr. Hope attended the University of Alabama and earned a degree in business administration. He then went on to serve in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

In 1952, Mr. Hope began working for the Alabama State Docks and dedicated almost four decades to the port of Mobile. He served in management positions at various Alabama State Docks facilities. He was appointed docks director for three terms under Alabama Governors George C. Wallace, Fob James, and Wallace again from 1976 until 1987. During his tenure, he oversaw the development of the McDuffie Coal Terminal.

In 1986, the Alabama State Docks honored Mr. Hope by dedicating the overpass that takes traffic over a set of railroad tracks into the docks' property as Hope Overpass. Following his retirement from the state docks, he served as a consultant for Volkert & Associates for several years before he retired.

In 1984, Mr. Hope was one of two U.S. participants invited to present a paper at the International Association of Ports and Harbors in Hamburg, Germany. In 1986, he received a White House appointment as a U.S. Representative to the Coal Industry Advisory Board of the International Energy Agency. He also served as president of the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce in 1982 and 1983 and as president of the Gulf Ports Association. He served on the Alabama-Mississippi District Export Council and on the board of directors of the National Waterways Conference Inc.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering a dedicated community leader and friend to many throughout the state of Alabama. Mr. Robert Milton Hope, Sr. will be deeply missed by his family—his wife of 57 years, Tee Hope; his daughter, Page Hope Sute; his sons, Robert Milton Hope, Jr. and Gregg Hope; and his five grandchildren—as well as his many friends.

Our thoughts and prayers are with them all at this difficult time.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the U.S. House of Representatives Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding two earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

The Richland Hills, Texas Flood Control Project. Big Fossil Creek Watershed Study, Project Management Plan of the Upper Trinity River Feasibility Study. Richland Hills, Texas—\$500,000—Investigations.

The purpose of this project is to review the numerous flooding, drainage, erosion and sedimentation problems that exist within the City of Richland Hills, TX, and formulate specific alternatives to address and remedy these, and related water-resources problems. The Corps of Engineers published initial findings and baseline conditions in August 2007. The Richland Hills project would be prepared within the context of the referenced Corps of Engineers/North Central Texas Council of Govern-

ments Big Fossil Creek Watershed Study and Upper Trinity River Feasibility Study, to include the impacts from upstream watershed development and erosion. The purpose of this project is to reduce the flooding potential for the 361 properties in the City of Richland Hills that are within the FEMA-designated 100-year floodplain; reduce sedimentation, enhance the environment and potential recreational benefits to the area, and reduce potential loss of life from floods. The total project cost is projected to be \$1,500,000. The City of Richland Hills and eight other communities have committed additional funds.

The City of Richland Hills is located at 3200 Diana Drive, Richland Hills, TX 76118.

Center for Advanced Scientific Modeling (CASCaM)—\$700,000—University of North Texas.

The funds will be used for computing and modeling to conduct and predict advanced scientific laboratory outcomes at reduced cost and increased safety. CASCaM uses computing and modeling to conduct and predict advanced scientific laboratory outcomes at reduced cost (chemicals, time) and increased safety (reduces need to expose workers to toxic chemicals, radioactive materials). This scientific computing allows determination of the probability of whether or not two chemicals will explode, become a viable pharmaceutical, the next new nanomaterial, or tomorrow's new alternate fuel source.

University of North Texas is located at Hurley Administration Building 175, Denton, TX 76203-0979.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I submit the following:

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL SHUSTER (PA-9)

Bill Number: H.R. 3170—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, FY2010

Financial Services and General Government Projects

Project Name: For the I-99 Entrepreneurial Institute

Account: Small Business Administration (SBA), Salaries and Expenses

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Altoona-Blair County Development Corporation

Address of Requesting Entity: 3900 Industrial Park Drive, Altoona, PA 16602

Description of Request/Justification of Federal Funding: \$100,000 for the I-99 Entrepreneurial Institute

It is my understanding that funding for this project would be used for the I-99 Entrepreneurial Institute. The I-99 Entrepreneurial Institute is a partnership program between Pennsylvania State University—Altoona and the Altoona-Blair County Development Corporation. The Institute serves as a formal bridge linking entrepreneurial learning and academic research with real-world business applications and experiences. Funding for this project would enhance programs and opportunities already in place to foster economic development and support startups and the expansion of small businesses. This project is

one piece of a comprehensive effort to promote economic development in the I-99 corridor.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because supporting job creation and entrepreneurial development are critically important in our current economy. Federal funding that is utilized to directly impact job creation and to support entrepreneurship and small businesses yields a sustainable and justified investment for communities and our country.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. VERN BUCHANAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. BUCHANAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy & Water Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Manatee County

Address of Requesting Entity: 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, FL 34205

Description of Request: I secured \$5,565,000 for an important dredging project for flood control purposes.

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Sarasota

Address of Requesting Entity:

Description of Request: I secured \$500,000 to replenish the beach to deal with ongoing erosion.

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—O&M
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: West Coast Inland Navigation District

Address of Requesting Entity: 200 E. Miami Avenue, Venice, FL 34285

Description of Request: I secured \$780,000 for maintenance dredging of the Gulf Intra-coastal Waterway.

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Manatee County

Address of Requesting Entity: 1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton, FL 34205

Description of Request: I secured \$200,000 to complete the necessary study to enroll certain portions of Anna Maria Island beached into the federal program.

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Port Manatee

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 Tampa Bay Way, Palmetto, FL 34221

Description of Request: I secured \$200,000 for or maintenance of the Manatee Harbor Basin, if the Secretary determines that such maintenance is economically justified and environmentally acceptable and that the channel or breakwater was constructed in accordance with the applicable permits and appropriate engineering and design standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN
Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Construction
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Port Manatee

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 Tampa Bay Way, Palmetto, FL 34221

Description of Request: I secured \$500,000 on-going U.S Army Corps of Engineers' General Re-evaluation Report.

Requesting Member: Congressman VERN BUCHANAN

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers—Section 1135
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Sarasota County

Address of Requesting Entity: 1600 Ringling Blvd. Sarasota, FL 34236

Description of Request: I secured language to allow it to be used for construction of a central sewer system and other needed infrastructure to replace approximately 14,000 individual septic systems.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PHIL GINGREY

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks as well as in accord with Clause 9 of Rule XXI, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmark I received as part of H.R. 3170—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman PHIL GINGREY

Bill Number: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of West Georgia

Address of Requesting Entity: 1601 Maple Street, Carrollton, GA 30118

Description of Request: In cooperation with the Carroll County Economic Development Foundation, the university will use funding to establish a small business incubator to assist small business in a six county area of West Georgia (Bartow, Carroll, Haralson, Floyd, Polk, and Paulding Counties). This program will offer counseling, resource information exchange, and distance learning opportunities for entrepreneurs and small business ventures. The program will also provide online access to and navigation of the West Georgia Angel Investors Network.

This project will provide the expertise of academic and business professionals directly to the budding entrepreneur. The program will include counseling, consolidated business resource databases, information blogs, and links to regulatory programs and funding sources. Video and online conferencing will afford real-time communication between individuals and groups. Distance learning opportunities will in-

clude training webinars in both live simulcast and archived viewing. Finally, the virtual resource center will provide a perpetual 3-D "tradeshow" exposure for participating businesses, including direct links to client websites.

The program will also give potential business entrepreneurs access to much needed seed capital through angel investors in the region. Business financial analysis and exit strategy development are just two of the resources that will be available to the entrepreneurs interested in investment capital. Counseling and guidance in developing an investment package would prepare the business owner for serious consideration by the Angel Investors Network.

The \$100,000 in Small Business Administration funding will be applied according to the following expenditure breakout:

Project Manager, \$55,000
Support Staff (3), 90,000
Senior staff supervision and oversight, 80,000
Supplies, 20,000
Program Launch, 45,000
Program Development, 30,000
Technical Assistance, 25,000
Equipment, 205,000
Travel, 10,000
Administrative and accounting, 30,000

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANH "JOSEPH" CAO

OF WEDNESDAY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CAO. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 funding for the Global Green New Orleans-Holy Cross project. This is in the Department of Energy EERE account in the amount of \$550,000. The funding will go towards construction of and LEED Platinum standards for 5 single-family homes, an 18-unit apartment building, and a Community Development/Sustainable Design and Climate Action Center.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 funding for the Clean Power Energy Research Consortium (CPERC). This is in the Department of Energy Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability account in the amount of \$1,000,000. CPERC will use these funds to address critical scientific and engineering issues in clean power and energy generation to develop technologies to reduce fuel consumption and greenhouse gases emissions in the U.S. This is a joint venture between UNO, Louisiana State University, LSU, Tulane, Southern University, Nicholls State University, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, and the Louisiana State AgCenter.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water

Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 provides for Louisiana Coastal Area Ecosystem Restoration. This is in the Army Corps of Engineers Investigations account in the amount of \$20,000,000. The funding will go towards identifying and implementing ecosystem restoration projects to restore and protect coastal Louisiana.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 provides for floor control construction in the Mississippi Delta Region. This is in the Army Corps of Engineers MRT-Construction account in the amount of \$2,250,000. The funding for this project will go towards providing protection against a projected flood having a flow of 3,000,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) at the latitude of Old River.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 provides for operations and maintenance funding in the Mississippi River Levees area, specifically within Southeast Louisiana. This is in the Army Corps of Engineers MRT-Operations and Maintenance account in the amount of \$8,011,000. The funding will go towards raising, strengthening, and in some cases, extending existing levees to stronger flood protection along the Mississippi River west bank from Black Hawk to Venice, and on the east bank from Baton Rouge to Bohemia, LA.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 provides for operations and maintenance funding for the Gulf Coast Intracoastal Waterway in Louisiana. This is in the Army Corps of Engineers Operation and Maintenance account in the amount of \$24,777,000. The funding for this project would go towards the operation and maintenance of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway (GIWW) which crosses through all five states that comprise the Gulf of Mexico.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 provides for operations and maintenance of projects along the Mississippi River from Baton Rouge to the Gulf of Mexico. This is in the Army Corps of Engineers Operation and Maintenance account in the amount of \$54,994,000. The funding for this project will go towards the operation and maintenance of the Mississippi River, Baton Rouge to the Gulf of Mexico project which provides a 45-foot deep draft channel between Baton Rouge and the Gulf of Mexico.

As requested by me, Representative ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 provides for increased hurricane protection along the southeast coast of Louisiana. This is in the Army Corps of Engineers Investigations account in the amount of \$1,000,000. The funding will go towards overall efforts to comprehensively address storm damage risk reduction protection, coastal restoration and flood control needs in South Louisiana and would provide a detailed study as part of the LACPR initiatives.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MARK E. SOUDER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. SOUDER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman MARK SOUDER

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, Science

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Trine University

Address of Requesting Entity: Trine University, One University Avenue, Angola, IN, 46703

Description of Request: Trine University will play a key role in educating future biomechanical engineers creating and delivering a unique Masters of Biomedical Engineering applied research program that will be incubated over time to provide the foundation for a Biomechanics and Movement Sciences Center at Trine University. For the MBE program to become reality, Trine must renovate the existing Aero Building on the Trine University campus. The renovations will include a laboratory area that will enable students to engage in applied research in materials strengths, mechanical efficacy, and structures utilizing industry-standard full and desktop-scale universal testing equipment. An additional laboratory area will provide opportunities for students to investigate motion systems through the utilization of biomechanical simulation, EMG, MX and force plate technology.

IN RECOGNITION OF EMPRESS CASINO OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS

HON. DEBORAH L. HALVORSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mrs. HALVORSON. Madam Speaker, on June 25th, the Empress Casino opened its doors after a three month hiatus. In March, the casino suffered a nearly catastrophic fire. Being a major employer in Will County, the impact could have been devastating. However, thanks to the tenacity of the casino and its employees, the situation has had a very successful outcome.

Over the past three months, Empress Casino and its employees continued to contribute to their community. Empress Casino maintained their charitable support and paid employees their usual salaries during this time. Empress staff responded to this challenge by providing more than 6,000 volunteer hours to community organizations. Empress Casino and their employees have overcome adversity and despite the obstacles, they have continued to be a caring neighbor.

Empress Casino implemented an aggressive renovation plan, which has allowed gaming revenues to be reinstated and Empress

employees to come back to work. Local businesses who provide services at the Empress have also returned. I extend my congratulations to the company and its employees for their extraordinary conduct during this difficult time. They offer a shining example of leadership and compassion.

IN RECOGNITION OF AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER JOHN C. HOUBOLT'S JOLIET AREA HISTORICAL MUSEUM PERMANENT EXHIBIT

HON. DEBORAH L. HALVORSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mrs. HALVORSON. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize Aeronautical Engineer John C. Houbolt, an unsung champion of space exploration and intelligence, who is going to be eternalized at the Joliet Area Historical Museum with a permanent exhibit entitled "The Soaring Achievements of John C. Houbolt."

Houbolt played a critical role in the infancy of space exploration when he discovered, adopted, and then championed the lunar flight path called "Lunar Orbit Rendezvous." (LOB) In June 1961, LOR was chosen for the Apollo program and this critical decision was viewed as vital to ensuring that man reached the Moon in the 1960's, as President John F. Kennedy had proposed and, in the process, saved billions of dollars and time by efficiently using existing rocket technology.

Houbolt never lost faith in LOR even when his theories faced strong opposition from others in his field. His humble persistence and determination are a testament to his passion for knowledge and his own ideas. It is this fervor and intelligence that allowed him to not only be an inspiration for men and women all over the nation interested in space discovery, but also other important figures in space exploration, like Buzz Aldrin, who has expressed much admiration for Houbolt.

On May 15, 2005, Houbolt was granted an honorary doctorate from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign for his lifetime achievements, even after earning his Bachelor's degree in 1940 and his Master's degree in 1942 in Civil Engineering. Houbolt didn't stop there, however, obtaining a PhD in Technical Sciences in 1957 from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland.

Although no other human being contributed more in making the Apollo lunar landings possible, Houbolt's contributions to Apollo's mission do not define this man as his contributions will continue to reverberate into the future of aeronautical engineering. John C. Houbolt has left his influential mark on the field of space exploration and will continue to be an inspiration to those just entering the field or becoming interested in the universe around us. It is with great pride that I recognize all of his many accomplishments upon the event of this exhibit.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, July 16, 2009 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JULY 17

10 a.m.
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Economic Policy Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the elements of a national manufacturing strategy.
SD-538

JULY 21

10 a.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
To hold hearings to examine S. 561 and H.R. 1404, bills to authorize a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy.
SD-366

Environment and Public Works
Green Jobs and the New Economy Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine state and local views on clean energy jobs, climate-related policies, and economic growth.
SD-406

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
To hold hearings to examine stimulus spending, transparency, and fraud prevention.
SD-342

1 p.m.
Joint Economic Committee
To hold hearings to examine the Federal Statistical System in the 21st century, focusing on the role of the Census Bureau.
2203, Rayburn Building

2 p.m.
Judiciary
Immigration, Refugees and Border Security Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the current employment verification system.
SD-226

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe
To hold hearings to examine Cyprus' religious cultural heritage.
B318, Rayburn Building

2:15 p.m.
Foreign Relations
Business meeting to consider pending calendar business.
S-116, Capitol

2:30 p.m.
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Investigations Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine the wheat market.
SD-342

Intelligence
To hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters.
S-407, Capitol

JULY 22

10 a.m.
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
To hold hearings to examine the semi-annual monetary policy report to the Congress.
SD-106

Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine advertising trends and consumer protection.
SR-253

Judiciary
To hold hearings to examine job creation and foreign investment in the United States, focusing on assessing the EB-5 Regional Center Program.
SD-226

Veterans' Affairs
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Raymond M. Jefferson, of Hawaii, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, and Joan M. Evans, of Oregon, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional and Legislative Affairs.
SR-418

1 p.m.
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
To hold hearings to examine the role of agriculture and forestry in global warming legislation.
SR-325

2:30 p.m.
Commerce, Science, and Transportation
To hold hearings to examine the Children's Television Act for a digital media age.
SR-253

Judiciary
Crime and Drugs Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine metal theft, focusing on law enforcement challenges.
SD-226

Energy and Natural Resources
National Parks Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine S. 635, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 715, to establish a pilot program to provide for the preservation and rehabilitation of historic lighthouses, S. 742, to expand the boundary of the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, to redesignate the unit as a

National Historical Park, S. 1270, to modify the boundary of the Oregon Caves National Monument, S. 1418 and H.R. 2330, bills to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing Camp Hale as a unit of the National Park System, and H.R. 2430, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to continue stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area.
SD-366

3 p.m.
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Deborah Matz, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board.
SD-538

JULY 23

10:30 a.m.
Judiciary
Crime and Drugs Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine S. 845, to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to allow citizens who have concealed carry permits from the State in which they reside to carry concealed firearms in another State that grants concealed carry permits, if the individual complies with the laws of the State.
SD-226

2:30 p.m.
Energy and Natural Resources
Water and Power Subcommittee
To hold hearings to examine S. 637, to authorize the construction of the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System in the State of Montana and a portion of McKenzie County, North Dakota, S. 789, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility and suitability of constructing a storage reservoir, outlet works, and a delivery system for the Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation in the State of California to provide a water supply for domestic, municipal, industrial, and agricultural purposes, S. 1080, to clarify the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior with respect to the C.C. Cragin Dam and Reservoir, and S. 1453, to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Bureau of Reclamation for the Upper Colorado River and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023.
SD-366

Intelligence
To hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters.
S-407, Capitol

JULY 29

9:30 a.m.
Veterans' Affairs
To hold hearings to examine veteran's disability compensation.
SR-418