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House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-1806

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Chair Rosa DeLauro House Appropriations Committee H-310 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 Ranking Member Kay Granger House Appropriations Committee 1016 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding to initiate and complete the Lower Mississippi River Comprehensive Study authorized by Section 213 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2020. The entity to receive such funding is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, located at 7400 Leake Ave., New Orleans, LA 70118. This funding will be used to complete a study of the of Mississippi River from Cape Girardeau, MO to the river's outlet in the Gulf of Mexico, and requires the Corps to issue recommendations on operational updates and identify new projects to holistically manage its mission sets and modernize the river's multi-state management regime. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Garret Graves

Member of Congress