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The Honorable Donald J. Trump  
President of the United States  
The White House  
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The Honorable Mick Mulvaney  
Director  
Office of Management and Budget  
725 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
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RE: COE-2016-0016 – Use of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Reservoir  
Projects for Domestic, Municipal & Industrial Water Supply

Dear President Trump and Director Mulvaney:

The Attorneys General of North Dakota, Idaho, Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming express our appreciation for the Administration’s withdrawal of the Corps of Engineers (“Corps”) proposed “Water Supply Rule.”

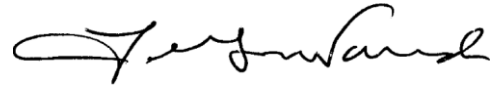
The “policies” of the proposed Rule were contrary to the express congressional policy declarations in the Flood Control Act of 1944 and the Water Supply Act of 1958. In both the Flood Control Act of 1944 and the

Water Supply Act of 1958, Congress specifically and unambiguously declared that the Corps' water supply operations are subject to state law. If implemented, the Rule would have resulted in precisely the type of legal confusion Congress has consistently sought to avoid through its longstanding policy of deference to state law in the allocation and distribution of water.

Sincerely,



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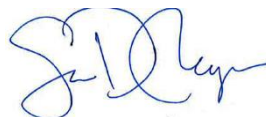
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