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**WATERWAYS COUNCIL, INC. PLEASED WITH
CONTINUED STRONG ARMY CORPS FUNDING**

**FY '07 FUNDING MAINTAINS PROGRESS ON COMPLETION OF CRITICAL
LOCK AND DAM PROJECTS ON THE NATION'S INLAND WATERWAYS**

WASHINGTON, DC - Expressing its reaction to the FY 2007 funding that was approved this morning by the Senate Appropriations Committee, Waterways Council, Inc. (WCI) signaled its pleasure with the strong U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Program funding level. The \$5.14 billion for the Corps Civil Works Program includes \$394 million to advance critical Inland Waterway Trust Fund financed projects on the Nation's inland waterways system.

Waterways Council, Inc. is particularly pleased that three priority projects were funded in the Senate bill that were not recommended for funding in the Administration's budget: Inner Harbor Navigation Canal Lock (\$18 million), Kentucky Lock (\$20 million) and pre-construction engineering and design (PED) work on the Upper Mississippi River (\$20 million). A complete list of proposed funding for specific lock and dam improvement projects is provided in the attached chart.

"We are pleased with the diligent efforts of the Senate Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee, and of the full Senate Appropriations Committee to fund the Army Corps of Engineers' program at this continued high level," said R. Barry Palmer, WCI President. "The legislative actions in the Senate today maintains the progress already begun on completion of priority lock and dam projects on our Nation's inland waterways, which allows us as a Nation to compete in the world marketplace."

Waterways Council offers special thanks to Senators Domenici and Reid, Chairman and Ranking Member of the Energy & Water Appropriations Subcommittee, respectively, and Senators Cochran and Byrd, Chairman and Ranking Member of the full Appropriations Committee for their hard work on this bill. We look forward to the resolution of the differences between the House and Senate bills in conference," Palmer said.

Waterways carriers, shippers, port authorities and companies which use the Nation's waterways and coastal port system to transport essential bulk commodities such as coal, grain, petroleum and chemicals valued at more than \$300 billion annually rely upon a well-maintained and modern national system of ports and waterways. Investment in our Nation's inland and coastal port system produces a tremendous return to our economy that significantly benefits every American.

Waterways Council, Inc. is the national public policy organization advocating a modern and well-maintained national system of ports and inland waterways. The group is supported by waterways carriers, shippers, port authorities, shipping associations and waterways advocacy groups from all regions of the country.

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FY 2007 Funding of America's Lock and Dam Modernization Projects

	FY 2007 President's Budget Request	FY 2007 House Markup	FY 2007 Senate Markup	FY 2007 Efficient Funding Level
<u>Construction</u>				
Robert C. Byrd L/D Ohio River, OH/WV	\$1,800,000	\$1,800,000	1,800,000	\$1,800,000
Chickamauga L/D, TN	27,000,000	27,000,000	27,000,000	27,000,000
Emsworth Dam, Ohio River, PA	17,000,000	17,000,000	15,000,000	17,000,000
Greenup L/D Ohio River, KY/OH	0	200,000	0	4,000,000
Inner Harbor Navigation Canal, LA	0	18,000,000	18,000,000	25,000,000
Kentucky Lock Addition Tennessee River, KY	0	10,000,000	20,000,000	55,000,000
Marmet L&D Kanawha River, WV	50,800,000	50,800,000	50,800,000	50,800,000
McAlpine L&D Ohio River, IN/KY	70,000,000	70,000,000	57,000,000	70,000,000
Locks & Dams 2, 3, & 4 Monongahela River, PA	62,772,000	62,772,000	51,000,000	62,800,000
J. T. Myers L/D Ohio River, IN/KY	0	2,000,000	0	9,000,000
Olmsted L&D Ohio River, IL/KY	110,000,000	110,000,000	90,000,000	110,000,000
Winfield L&D Kanawha River, WV	4,300,000	4,300,000	4,300,000	4,300,000
*Undesignated	9,328,000	0	0	
<u>Major Rehabilitation</u>				
L&D 3 Upper Miss., MN	0	0	0	4,300,000
L&D 11 Upper Miss., IA& WI	20,300,000	20,300,000	18,300,000	21,700,000
L&D 19 Upper Miss., IA	5,400,000	5,400,000	5,400,000	9,020,000
L&D 24 Upper Miss., IL& MO	3,900,000	3,900,000	3,000,000	3,900,000
Lock 27, Upper Miss., IL & MO	3,400,000	3,400,000	2,500,000	6,200,000
Markland, Ohio River, IN & KY	8,000,000	8,000,000	6,000,000	8,000,000
Subtotal (this page)	\$394,000,000	\$414,872,000	370,100,000	

* The President's FY 2007 Budget assumes \$197 million will be spent from the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, or \$394 million for Trust Fund financed projects.

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<u>Investigations</u>				
Ohio River System Valuation and Risk Assessment (formerly Ohio River Main Stem Study)	0	0	0	2,300,000
Calcasieu Lock, LA	247,000	400,000	400,000	247,000
Emsworth, Dashields & Montgomery (Upper Ohio R.)	0	1,300,000	2,500,000	4,000,000
Upper Mississippi/Illinois River Study (PED)	0	0	20,000,000	24,000,000
Bayou Sorrel Lock, LA (PED)	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
Greenup L/D Ohio River, KY/OH	0	Funded in construction	0	4,000,000
TOTAL, both pages	\$395,747,000	\$418,072,000	394,500,000	

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Civil Works Program

Civil Works Program	FY 2006 Enacted	FY 2007 Request	FY 2007 House	FY 2007 Senate
General Investigations	\$164,000,000	\$94,000,000	\$128,000,000	\$168,517,000
Construction, General	2,372,000,000	1,555,000,000	1,929,471,000	2,042,429,000
Operations & Maintenance	1,989,000,000	2,258,000,000	2,195,471,000	2,030,000,000
MR&T Flood Control	400,000,000	278,000,000	290,607,000	450,530,000
Regulatory Program	160,000,000	173,000,000	173,000,000	168,000,000
General Expenses	154,000,000	164,000,000	156,300,000	164,000,000
Formerly Utilized Sites	140,000,000	130,000,000	130,000,000	140,000,000
Office of the ASA/CW	4,000,000	*	5,000,000	0
Flood Control/Coastal Emergencies	0	81,000,000	32,000,000	32,000,000
TOTAL	\$5,383,000,000	\$4,733,000,000	**\$4,983,803,000	**\$5,139,430,000

*Line item for General Expenses includes \$6 million for ASA/CW office.

**Total includes \$56,046,000 rescission of previous appropriations later funded through other appropriations.