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SENATOR ROBERT C. BYRD
RECEIVES LEADERSHIP SERVICE AWARD

PHOTO RELEASE (photo attached):

On February 28, 2007 in Washington, D.C., Senator Robert C. Byrd, Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, received Waterways Council, Inc.'s 6th Annual Leadership Service Award for steadfast commitment to our Nation's critically important waterways and port system. Senator Byrd was appointed to the Senate Appropriations Committee in 1959, the year Senator Byrd began his Senate service. Senator Byrd also serves on the Armed Services Committee, the Rules and Administration Committee, and the Budget Committee.

Shown here in the attached photo, Senator Byrd receives the award from R. Barry Palmer, President and CEO, Waterways Council, Inc.

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 more than 250 waterways carriers, shippers, port authorities, shipping associations and waterways advocacy groups from all regions of the country.