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The Illinois Delegation

Washington, D.C. 20510



June 25, 1984

The Honorable William D. Ruckelshaus
 Administrator, Environmental
 Protection Agency
 401 M Street, S.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Bill:

We are writing to urge your immediate approval of funding for the 13A West Leg of the Des Plaines River segment of the Metropolitan Sanitary District of Greater Chicago's Tunnel and Reservoir Plan (TARP). It is our understanding that both the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and USEPA's Region V office have favorably reviewed this critically needed project, and all that remains is final approval by your agency.

The 13A project, which has a total cost of \$47.56 million, will primarily benefit the communities of Western Springs, LaGrange and LaGrange Park, Illinois. Its funding would substantially reduce raw sewage overflow from these communities into Salt Creek and the Des Plaines River. These CSO events are of a most serious nature. For example, on June 13, 1984, during a combined sewer overflow event at the location to be served by the project, the polluttional content or strength of the CSO samples collected was comparable to, and for some pollutants, stronger than raw sewage entering other treatment works operated by the Metropolitan Sanitary District.

Funds are now available from the IEPA and the USEPA for this project. All plans and rights-of-way have been completed and all that remains is final USEPA approval. We urge that approval forthwith.

Sincerely,

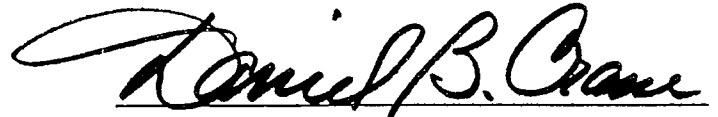
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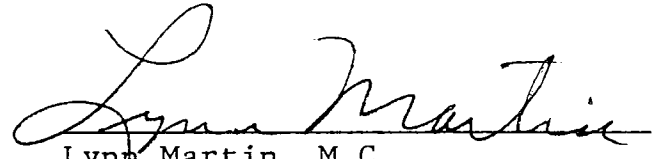
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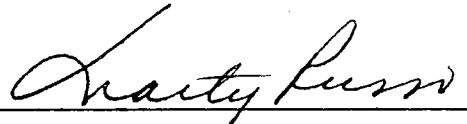

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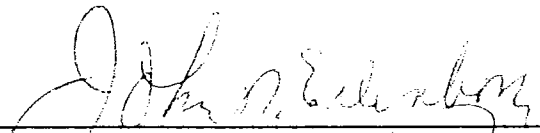

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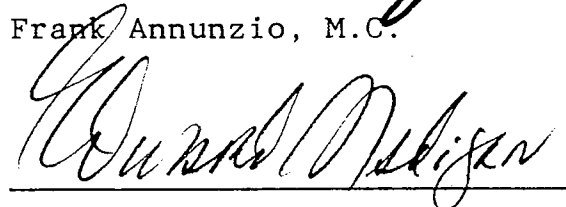

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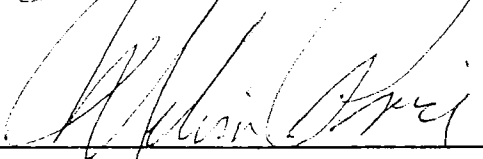

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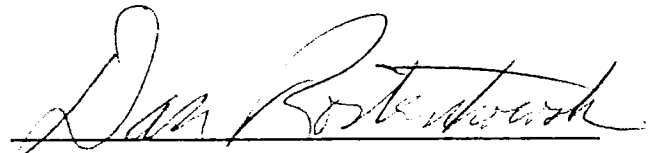

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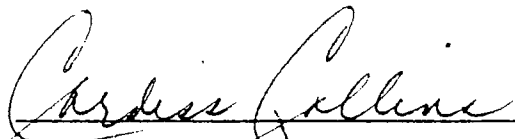

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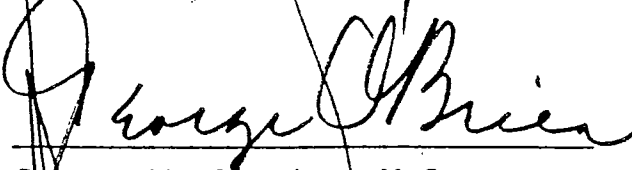

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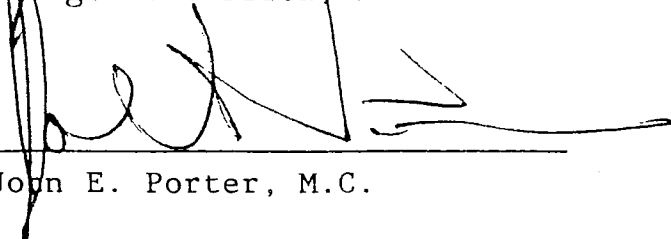

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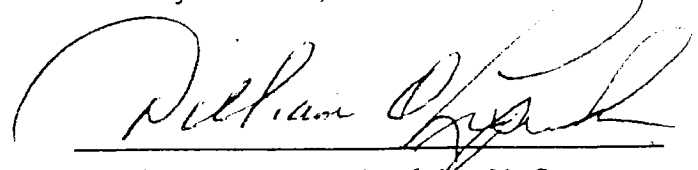

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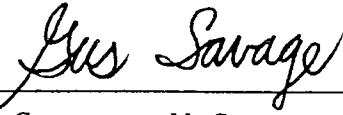

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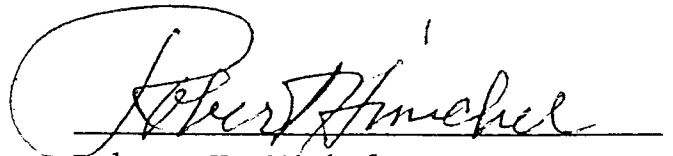

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The Honorable William D. Ruckelshaus
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Robert H. Michel, M.C.