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**Congress of the United States
House of Representatives**

April 2, 2015

Mr. Matthew Sailor
Regulatory Project Manager
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers—Kansas City Regulatory Office
601 E. 12th St., Room 402
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

Re: Renewal of Missouri River Commercial Dredging Permits

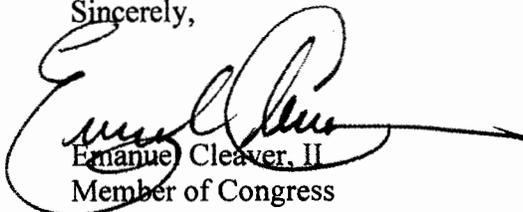
Dear Mr. Sailor:

I am writing in the matter of the Holliday Sand & Gravel, LLC (Holliday) request for a renewed Missouri River Dredge Permit. The company's three facilities, located on the Missouri River in the Kansas City metropolitan area and St. Joseph, are significant to the economic development of the region.

Holliday is the key producer of sand for the Kansas City metropolitan area and St. Joseph and supports hundreds of union and non-union construction employees in the Kansas City metropolitan area. The unions representing Holliday's organized employees include: Operating Engineers Local #101 and Heavy Construction Laborers' Local #663. Additionally, the economic impact of each of these jobs should be multiplied by nine (9) to understand the total employment impact. These jobs represent millions of dollars in payroll for our local economy.

River bed degradation, particularly in the Kansas City reach of the Missouri River, is a serious issue, and I am confident that the Missouri River Degradation Study will provide the collective river stakeholders solutions to alleviating the erosion and protecting public infrastructure. I urge you to use any available flexibility on the proposed permit levels among the applicable river segments, such that will continue to support the dredging industry while maintaining balance among the various river interests.

Sincerely,



Emanuel Cleaver, II
Member of Congress

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