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Honorable George W. Crockett, Jr.  
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Dear George:

Thank you for your letter of October 8, urging Clean Water (S. 1128) Conferees to complete the conference before adjournment.

I understand your concerns. Conference negotiations began seven months ago. Throughout this period, countless municipalities have waited anxiously for us to complete our work on reauthorizing the critical funding for the construction of wastewater treatment plants. Certainly, Detroit had a vital interest in our construction grants negotiations.

Fortunately, we were able to complete our work on the final Conference Report in mid October. The House and Senate passed S. 1128 unanimously on October 15 and 16 by votes of 408 to 0 and 96 to 0. In spite of its overwhelming support, however, the legislation now faces the possibility of a pocket veto by the President.

The support your gave S. 1128 during the Conference is even more critical now.

Thank you again for your views.

Sincerely,

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JOHN PAUL HAMMERSCHMIDT  
Member of Congress

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