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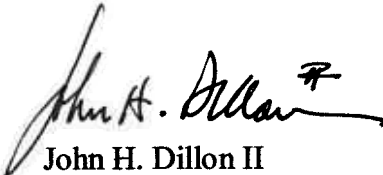
Mr. David Kaiser
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Dear Mr. Kaiser:

I am writing in regard to the proposed changes from NOAA to the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA). I strongly object to these changes because they would severely limit States' abilities to review and judge projects or activities impacting their coastal waters or natural resources.

I have been a summer resident of Long Beach Island, NJ for forty-five years. Over the years I have seen the quality of the water in the ocean and also in Manahawkin and Little Egg Harbor Bays improve considerably. It is a pleasure to swim in a clean ocean and fish in a clean bay. Any action by the Federal government to limit or diminish New Jersey's ability to maintain the purity of the waters and marshlands would be devastating to the animal life in the area. The negative environmental impact would be thoroughly unwelcome by all the residents and visitors who use these waters and marshlands for their enjoyment.

Yours truly,



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