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DEC 27 2011

The Honorable John L. Mica
Chairman, Committee on Transportation
and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Section 28 (a) of the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011 (Public Law 112-90) requires the Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood to conduct a study of hazardous liquid pipeline incidents at crossings of inland bodies of water with a width of at least 100 feet from high water mark to high water mark to determine if the depth of cover over the buried pipeline was a factor in any accidental release of hazardous liquids. The enclosed report provides the results of the study.

The report and a similar letter have been sent to the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the House Committee on Energy and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

If I can provide further information or assistance, please feel free to call me at 202-366-4433.

Regards,

Cynthia L. Quarterman

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Inland Water Crossings Study



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The Honorable Nick J. Rahall II
Ranking Member, Committee on Transportation
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U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Congressman Rahall:

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The Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV
Chairman, Committee on Commerce,
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison
Ranking Member, Committee on Commerce,
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Hutchison:

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The Honorable Henry A. Waxman
Ranking Member, Committee on Energy
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The Honorable Fred Upton
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce
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