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Representative Alan B. Mollahan, Ranking Member
Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies
1016 Longworth House Office Building

Re: Appropriation for the International Center for Water Technology for Fiscal Year 2004

Dear Congressmen Walsh and Mollahan:

I am writing to express my support for the International Center for Water Technology and ask for your leadership in support of the project. The VA, HUD and Independent Agencies Subcommittee is currently considering an appropriations request for the project for fiscal year 2004.

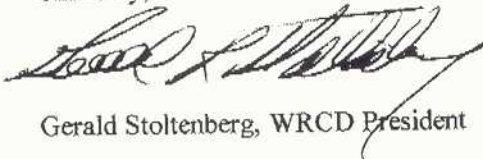
We want to acknowledge and thank you for the initial support provided in FY-03. These funds are being used to jump-start the program. The phase 2 funding request in FY-2004 will complete the federal portion of the ICWT development.

The International Center for Water Technology (ICWT) is a proposed research and development facility dedicated to developing new advances in water and fluid technologies that will facilitate efficient management, recycling, transportation, distribution, and conservation of water resources.

Based in California's San Joaquin Valley, the ICWT is a public-private partnership representing manufactures, public agencies, and academia from all over the country. It represents the world's most comprehensive effort to develop and promote next generations water technology.

I urge your support for the International Center for Water Technology. Technological advancements from the ICWT will benefit environmental, agricultural, urban, and commercial interests making it truly a unique effort and worthy of your support. Thank you for your consideration. If you would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Gerald Stoltenberg, WRCD President

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