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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Attn: CECW-CE (Lisa Keifel)
441 G Street NW
Washington, DC 20314-1000

RE: Federal Register Solicitation for Proposals by Non-Federal Interests in Authorized Water Resources Development Projects: Optimization of Existing Storage Volumes in Federal Reservoirs in the Delaware River.

Dear Ms. Keifel:

I represent the state of Delaware on the Delaware River Advisory Committee to the Delaware River Master. Delaware supports actions that could lead to improved water quality and sustained flows in the river to help mitigate concerns related to water quality, ecological damage, and salt water repulsion in the Delaware Bay.

Therefore, Delaware supports the proposal submitted on December 3, 2014 by the Delaware River Basin Commission to study the feasibility of optimizing the uses of the existing storage volumes in the three federally owned reservoirs within the Delaware River Basin. The proposed study would be of great value to stakeholders and entities that are committed to improving the water resources management within the Delaware River Basin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David R. Wunsch".

David R. Wunsch
State Geologist and Director