



CLEAN WATER CONSTRUCTION COALITION

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Senate Action On Wastewater/Drinking Water SRF

Sante Esposito has been speaking directly with Senator Benjamin Cardin (MD), chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Water and Wildlife, and committee staff regarding the preparation of legislation for the reauthorization of the Wastewater/Drinking Water SRF programs. The Subcommittee has jurisdiction for the program. The goal is to have a bill marked up prior to the Summer Recess.

Representatives of the Coalition will meet privately with Senator Cardin and committee staff to discuss the development of this legislation. We will update you on this effort in the near future. The Water Infrastructure Network (WIN) is also working on this effort as well.

Regarding the Drinking Water SRF reauthorization in the House, we continue our discussions with the appropriate Committee leaders and will update you on that progress.

Continued Growth Of The Coalition

With the recent addition of the Pennsylvania association, we now include 26 organizations with approximately 9,050 member firms. Three years ago we started with 10 associations. Efforts are underway to add an association representing Indiana as well as other states.

May 19, 2009 Washington, DC Event

As noted earlier, Chairman Oberstar and EPA Administrator Jackson are confirmed to speak at the reception which will be held in Room B-354 in the Rayburn House Building between 12:00 Noon and 1:30 PM. We will be utilizing this event as a Fundraiser for Chairman Oberstar in recognition of his outstanding work.

Attached is the Contribution Form for the fundraiser where only personal checks and personal credit cards may be used. All contribution forms/checks should be returned to Bob Briant's office. Any questions--contact Bob Briant.

Rooms are still available at the Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill by calling 1-800-233-1234 and ask for the ARTBA Federal Issues Program rate of \$295 per night. Call as soon as possible, as space is limited.

You should plan your "Hill" visits for May 19 or 20. The week prior to your Congressional visits I will provide our Coalition "talking points" packets for your use and the use of your attendees during the Hill visits.