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March 27, 2019

The Honorable Gil Cisneros
United States House of Representatives
431 Canyon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Support of H.R. 1764 Extending NPDES Permit Terms

Dear Congressman Cisneros:

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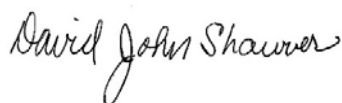
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Sincerely,



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The Honorable Lou Correa
United States House of Representatives
1039 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Alan J. Lowenthal
United States House of Representatives
125 Canyon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Katie Porter
United States House of Representatives
117 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Congresswoman Porter:

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The Honorable Harley Rouda
United States House of Representatives
2300 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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