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Washington, DC 20515

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Chairman David Obey
House Appropriations Committee
H-218, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Jerry Lewis
House Appropriations Committee
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Obey & Ranking Member Lewis:

I am requesting \$10,000,000.00 for Fourteen Mile Railroad Bridge, Mobile County, Alabama in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is Warrior Tombigbee Waterway Association, located at PO Box 2863, Mobile AL 36652. The funding would be used for replacement of the CSX Railroad Bridge over Mobile River, AL. Originally built in 1935 and approved for replacement by USCG in 1999 by authorization of the Truman Hobbs Act. Severe restrictions cost \$6 million annually and the bridge is unsafe to navigation. Taxpayer Justification: This project ensures an important rail link to the Southeastern U.S. The rivers run from Mobile to Birmingham and connect the Port of Mobile with the Eastern U.S. through the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway.

I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any direct financial interest in this project.

Also, I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my Official Website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the Congressional Record describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Aderholt