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ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT  
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997

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Making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

Energy and  
Water  
Development  
Appropriations  
Act, 1997.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, for energy and water development, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL

The following appropriations shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for authorized civil functions of the Department of the Army pertaining to rivers and harbors, flood control, beach erosion, and related purposes.

GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

For expenses necessary for the collection and study of basic information pertaining to river and harbor, flood control, shore protection, and related projects, restudy of authorized projects, miscellaneous investigations, and, when authorized by laws, surveys and detailed studies and plans and specifications of projects prior to construction, \$153,872,000, to remain available until expended, of which funds are provided for the following projects in the amounts specified:

Norco Bluffs, California, \$180,000;  
San Joaquin River Basin, Caliente Creek, California, \$150,000;  
Tampa Harbor, Alafia Channel, Florida, \$100,000;  
Lake George, Hobart, Indiana, \$100,000;  
Little Calumet River Basin, Cady Marsh Ditch, Indiana, \$200,000;  
Tahoe Basin Study, Nevada and California, \$100,000;  
Barnegat Inlet to Little Egg Harbor Inlet, New Jersey, \$300,000;

Brigantine Inlet to Great Egg Harbor Inlet, New Jersey, \$360,000;  
 Great Egg Harbor Inlet to Townsends Inlet, New Jersey, \$200,000;  
 Manasquan Inlet to Barnegat Inlet, New Jersey, \$250,000;  
 Townsends Inlet to Cape May Inlet, New Jersey, \$245,000;  
 South Shore of Staten Island, New York, \$200,000;  
 Mussers Dam, Middle Creek, Snyder County, Pennsylvania, \$450,000;  
 Rhode Island South Coast, Habitat Restoration and Storm Damage Reduction, Rhode Island, \$100,000;  
 Monongahela River, West Virginia, \$500,000;  
 Monongahela River, Fairmont, West Virginia, \$100,000; and  
 Tygart River Basin, Philippi, West Virginia, \$100,000.

## CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL

For the prosecution of river and harbor, flood control, shore protection, and related projects authorized by laws; and detailed studies, and plans and specifications, of projects (including those for development with participation or under consideration for participation by States, local governments, or private groups) authorized or made eligible for selection by law (but such studies shall not constitute a commitment of the Government to construction), \$1,081,942,000, to remain available until expended, of which such sums as are necessary pursuant to Public Law 99-662 shall be derived from the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, for one-half of the costs of construction and rehabilitation of inland waterways projects, including rehabilitation costs for the Lock and Dam 25, Mississippi River, Illinois and Missouri, Lock and Dam 14, Mississippi River, Iowa, and Lock and Dam 24, Mississippi River, Illinois and Missouri, projects, and of which funds are provided for the following projects in the amounts specified:

Red River Emergency Bank Protection, Arkansas, \$3,000,000;  
 San Timoteo Creek (Santa Ana River Mainstem), California, \$7,000,000;  
 Indianapolis Central Waterfront, Indiana, \$7,000,000;  
 Indiana Shoreline Erosion, Indiana, \$2,200,000;  
 Harlan (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), Kentucky, \$18,000,000;  
 Martin County (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), Kentucky, \$350,000;  
 Middlesboro (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), Kentucky, \$2,500,000;  
 Pike County (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), Kentucky, \$2,000,000;  
 Town of Martin (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), Kentucky, \$300,000;  
 Williamsburg (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), Kentucky, \$4,050,000;  
 Salyersville, Kentucky, \$3,000,000;  
 Lake Pontchartrain and Vicinity, Louisiana, \$17,025,000;  
 Lake Pontchartrain (Jefferson Parish) Stormwater Discharge, Louisiana, \$4,750,000;  
 Red River below Denison Dam Levee and Bank Stabilization, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Texas, \$100,000;

Red River Emergency Bank Protection, Louisiana, \$3,400,000;

Glen Foerd, Pennsylvania, \$800,000;

South Central Pennsylvania Environmental Restoration Infrastructure and Resource Protection Development Pilot Program, Pennsylvania, \$7,000,000;

Seekonk River, Rhode Island Bridge removal, \$650,000;

Wallisville Lake, Texas, \$7,500,000;

Richmond Filtration Plant, Virginia, \$3,500,000;

Virginia Beach, Virginia, \$8,000,000;

Hatfield Bottom (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), West Virginia, \$1,300,000;

Lower Mingo (Kermit) (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), West Virginia, \$4,000,000;

Lower Mingo, West Virginia, Tributaries Supplement, \$105,000; and

Upper Mingo County (Levisa and Tug Forks of the Big Sandy River and Upper Cumberland River), West Virginia, \$3,500,000: *Provided*, That of the funds provided for the Red

River Waterway, Mississippi River to Shreveport, Louisiana, project, \$3,000,000 is provided, to remain available until expended, for design and construction of a regional visitor center in the vicinity of Shreveport, Louisiana at full Federal expense: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army,

acting through the Chief of Engineers, is directed to use \$1,000,000 of the funds appropriated in Public Law 104-46

for construction of the Ohio River Flood Protection, Indiana, project: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army, acting

through the Chief of Engineers, is directed, in cooperation with State, county, and city officials and in consultation with

the Des Moines River Greenbelt Advisory Committee, to provide highway and other signs appropriate to direct the public to

the bike trail which runs from downtown Des Moines, Iowa, to the Big Creek Recreation area at the Corps of Engineers

Saylorville Lake project and the wildlife refuge in Jasper and Marion Counties in Iowa authorized in Public Law 101-302:

*Provided further*, That any law, regulation, documents or record of the United States in which such projects are referred to

shall be held to refer to the bike trail as the Neal Smith Bike Trail and to such centers as the Neal Smith Prairie

Wildlife Learning Center: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is directed to initiate construction on the Joseph G. Minish

Historic Waterfront Park, New Jersey, project; furthermore, the Secretary may transfer not to exceed \$900,000 from General

Investigations appropriations made in title I of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, Public Law 103-

126 (107 Stat. 1313) for the Passaic River, Mainstem, New Jersey, to Construction, General for the Joseph G. Minish His-

toric Waterfront Park, New Jersey, project and that the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate shall

be promptly advised of such transfer: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided herein, \$1,000,000 shall be for payment

to the Kansas City Southern Industries, Inc., in partial reimbursement of costs associated with the relocation and modification of the Louisiana and Arkansas (L&A) Railway Bridge

at Alexandria, Louisiana, for navigation requirements of the

Iowa.  
Recreation and  
recreational  
areas.  
Wildlife.

Red River navigation project: *Provided further*, That using \$500,000 of the funds appropriated for the Passaic River Mainstem, New Jersey, project under the heading “General Investigations” in Public Law 103-126, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is directed to begin implementation of the Passaic River Preservation of Natural Storage Areas separable element of the Passaic River Flood Reduction Project, New Jersey: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is authorized and directed to initiate construction on the following projects in the amounts specified:

- Humboldt Harbor, California, \$2,500,000;
- San Lorenzo River, California, \$200,000;
- Faulkner’s Island, Connecticut, \$1,500,000;
- Chicago Shoreline, Illinois, \$8,000,000;
- Pond Creek, Jefferson City, Kentucky, \$1,500,000;
- Natchez Bluff, Mississippi, \$4,500,000;
- Wood River, Grand Isle, Nebraska, \$1,000,000;
- New York City Watershed, New York, \$1,000,000;
- Duck Creek, Cincinnati, Ohio, \$466,000;
- Saw Mill Run, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, \$500,000;
- West Virginia and Pennsylvania Flooding, West Virginia and Pennsylvania, \$1,000,000;
- Upper Jordan River, Utah, \$500,000;
- San Juan Harbor, Puerto Rico, \$800,000; and
- Allendale Dam, Rhode Island, \$195,000: *Provided further*,

That no fully allocated funding policy shall apply to construction of the projects listed above, and the Secretary of the Army is directed to undertake these projects using continuing contracts where sufficient funds to complete the projects are not available from funds provided herein or in prior years.

FLOOD CONTROL, MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES, ARKANSAS, ILLINOIS, KENTUCKY, LOUISIANA, MISSISSIPPI, MISSOURI, AND TENNESSEE

For expenses necessary for prosecuting work of flood control, and rescue work, repair, restoration, or maintenance of flood control projects threatened or destroyed by flood, as authorized by law (33 U.S.C. 702a, 702g-1), \$310,374,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the President of the Mississippi River Commission is directed henceforth to use the variable cost recovery rate set forth in OMB Circular A-126 for use of the Commission aircraft authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1946, Public Law 526: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding the funding limitations set forth in Public Law 104-6 (109 Stat. 85), the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is authorized and directed to use additional funds appropriated herein or previously appropriated to complete remedial measures to prevent slope instability at Hickman Bluff, Kentucky.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, GENERAL

For expenses necessary for the preservation, operation, maintenance, and care of existing river and harbor, flood control, and related works, including such sums as may be necessary for the maintenance of harbor channels provided by a State, municipality or other public agency, outside of harbor lines, and serving essential

needs of general commerce and navigation; surveys and charting of northern and northwestern lakes and connecting waters; clearing and straightening channels; and removal of obstructions to navigation, \$1,697,015,000, to remain available until expended, of which such sums as become available in the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, pursuant to Public Law 99-662, may be derived from that fund, and of which such sums as become available from the special account established by the Land and Water Conservation Act of 1965, as amended (16 U.S.C. 460l), may be derived from that fund for construction, operation, and maintenance of outdoor recreation facilities, and of which funds are provided for the following projects in the amounts specified:

Raystown Lake, Pennsylvania, \$4,190,000; and

Cooper Lake and Channels, Texas, \$2,601,000:

*Provided*, That using \$1,000,000 of the funds appropriated herein, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is directed to design and construct a landing at Guntersville, Alabama, as described in the Master Plan Report of the Nashville District titled "Guntersville Landing" dated June, 1996: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army is directed to design and implement at full Federal expense an early flood warning system for the Greenbrier and Cheat River Basins, West Virginia within eighteen months from the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army is directed during fiscal year 1997 to maintain a minimum conservation pool level of 475.5 at Wister Lake in Oklahoma: *Provided further*, That no funds, whether appropriated, contributed, or otherwise provided, shall be available to the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the purpose of acquiring land in Jasper County, South Carolina, in connection with the Savannah Harbor navigation project: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Army is directed to use \$600,000 of funding provided herein to perform maintenance dredging of the Cocheco River navigation project, New Hampshire.

#### REGULATORY PROGRAM

For expenses necessary for administration of laws pertaining to regulation of navigable waters and wetlands, \$101,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### FLOOD CONTROL AND COASTAL EMERGENCIES

For expenses necessary for emergency flood control, hurricane, and shore protection activities, as authorized by section 5 of the Flood Control Act approved August 18, 1941, as amended, \$10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is directed to use up to \$8,000,000 of the funds appropriated herein and under this heading in Public Law 104-134 to rehabilitate non-Federal flood control levees along the Puyallup and Carbon Rivers in Pierce County, Washington.

#### GENERAL EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for general administration and related functions in the Office of the Chief of Engineers and offices of the Division Engineers; activities of the Coastal Engineering Research Board, the Humphreys Engineer Center Support Activity,

the Engineering Strategic Studies Center, and the Water Resources Support Center, and for costs of implementing the Secretary of the Army's plan to reduce the number of division offices as directed in title I, Public Law 104-46, \$149,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That no part of any other appropriation provided in title I of this Act shall be available to fund the activities of the Office of the Chief of Engineers or the executive direction and management activities of the Division Offices: *Provided further*, That with funds provided herein and notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Army shall develop and submit to the Congress (including the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives) within 60 days of enactment of this Act, a plan which reduces the number of division offices within the United States Army Corps of Engineers to no less than 6 and no more than 8, with each division responsible for at least 4 district offices, but does not close or change any civil function of any district office: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Army is directed to begin implementing the division office plan on April 1, 1997: *Provided further*, That up to \$1,500,000 may be transferred to this account from any other appropriation account in this title.

Plan.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

Appropriations in this title shall be available for official reception and representation expenses (not to exceed \$5,000); and during the current fiscal year the revolving fund, Corps of Engineers, shall be available for purchase (not to exceed 100 for replacement only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

## CORPS OF ENGINEERS—CIVIL

SEC. 101. (a) In fiscal year 1997, the Secretary of the Army shall advertise for competitive bid at least 8,500,000 cubic yards of the hopper dredge volume accomplished with government owned dredges in fiscal year 1992.

Contracts.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the Secretary is authorized to use the dredge fleet of the Corps of Engineers to undertake projects when industry does not perform as required by the contract specifications or when the bids are more than 25 percent in excess of what the Secretary determines to be a fair and reasonable estimated cost of a well equipped contractor doing the work or to respond to emergency requirements.

SEC. 102. None of the funds appropriated herein or otherwise made available to the Army Corps of Engineers, including amounts contained in the Revolving Fund of the Army Corps of Engineers, may be used to study, design or undertake improvements or major repair of the Federal vessel, McFARLAND, except for normal maintenance and repair necessary to maintain the vessel McFARLAND's current operational condition.

SEC. 103. The flood control project for Moorefield, West Virginia, authorized by section 101(a)(25) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-640, 104 Stat. 4610) is modified to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct the project at a total cost of \$26,200,000, with an estimated first Federal

cost of \$20,300,000 and an estimated first non-Federal cost of \$5,900,000.

SEC. 104. The project for navigation, Grays Landing Lock and Dam, Monongahela River, Pennsylvania (Lock and Dam 7 Replacement), authorized by section 301(a) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-662, 100 Stat. 4110) is modified to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct the project at a total cost of \$181,000,000, with an estimated first Federal cost of \$181,000,000.

Effective date.

SEC. 105. From the date of enactment of this Act, non-structural flood control measures implemented under section 202(a) of Public Law 96-367 shall prevent future losses that would occur from a flood equal in magnitude to the April 1977 level by providing protection from the April 1977 level or the 100-year frequency event, whichever is greater.

SEC. 106. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is authorized to reprogram, obligate and expend such additional sums as are necessary to continue construction and cover anticipated contract earnings of any water resources project that received an appropriation or allowance for construction in or through an appropriations Act or resolution of the then-current fiscal year or the two fiscal years immediately prior to that fiscal year, in order to prevent the termination of a contract or the delay of scheduled work.

SEC. 107. The Corps of Engineers is hereby directed to complete the Charleston Riverfront (Haddad) Park Project, West Virginia, as described in the design memorandum approved November, 1992, on a 50-50 cost-share basis with the City. The Corps of Engineers shall pay one-half of all costs for settling contractor claims on the completed project and for completing the wharf. The Federal portion of these costs shall be obtained by reprogramming available Operations & Maintenance funds. The project cost limitation in the Project Cooperation Agreement shall be increased to reflect the actual costs of the completed project.

SEC. 108. The flood control project for Arkansas City, Kansas authorized by section 401(a) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-662, 100 Stat. 4116) is modified to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct the project at a total cost of \$38,500,000, with an estimated first Federal cost of \$28,100,000 and an estimated first non-Federal cost of \$10,400,000.

SEC. 109. Funds previously provided under the Fiscal Year 1993 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, Public Law 102-377, for the Elk Creek Dam, Oregon project, are hereby made available to plan and implement long-term management measures at Elk Creek Dam to maintain the project in an uncompleted state and to take necessary steps to provide passive fish passage through the project.

SEC. 110. The Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to modify the project for the Hudson River, New York, New York City to Waterford, authorized by the Act of June 25, 1910 (Public Law 264, 61st Congress, 36 Stat. 635), to include design and construction of a 300-foot wide channel to a depth of 24 feet (mean low water), extending from the existing Federal channel in the vicinity of the Hudson City Light to the north dock at Union Street, Athens, New York.

SEC. 111. Section 109(a) of Public Law 104–46 (109 Stat. 408) with regard to Prestonsburg, Kentucky, is amended by striking “Modification No. 2” and inserting “Modification No. 3”.

SEC. 112. The emergency gate construction project for Abiquiu Dam, New Mexico, authorized by section 1112 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (Public Law 99–662, 100 Stat. 4232) is modified to authorize the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, to construct the project at an estimated total cost of \$7,000,000. The non-Federal share of the project shall be 25 percent of those costs of the project attributable to an increase in flood protection as a result of the installation of such gates.

## TITLE II

### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

#### CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

##### CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT COMPLETION ACCOUNT

For the purpose of carrying out provisions of the Central Utah Project Completion Act, Public Law 102–575 (106 Stat. 4605), and for feasibility studies of alternatives to the Uintah and Upalco Units, \$42,527,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$16,700,000 shall be deposited into the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account: *Provided*, That of the amounts deposited into the Account, \$5,000,000 shall be considered the Federal contribution authorized by paragraph 402(b)(2) of the Act and \$11,700,000 shall be available to the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission to carry out activities authorized under the Act.

In addition, for necessary expenses incurred in carrying out responsibilities of the Secretary of the Interior under the Act, \$1,100,000, to remain available until expended.

#### BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

For carrying out the functions of the Bureau of Reclamation as provided in the Federal reclamation laws (Act of June 17, 1902, 32 Stat. 388, and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto) and other Acts applicable to that Bureau as follows:

##### GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

For engineering and economic investigations of proposed Federal reclamation projects and studies of water conservation and development plans and activities preliminary to the reconstruction, rehabilitation and betterment, financial adjustment, or extension of existing projects, \$16,650,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the total appropriated, the amount for program activities which can be financed by the reclamation fund shall be derived from that fund: *Provided further*, That funds contributed by non-Federal entities for purposes similar to this appropriation shall be available for expenditure for the purposes for which contributed as though specifically appropriated for said purposes, and such amounts shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That of the total appropriated, \$250,000 shall be available

to complete the appraisal study and initiate preconstruction engineering and design for the Del Norte County and Crescent City, California, Wastewater Reclamation Project, and \$250,000 shall be available to complete the appraisal study and initiate preconstruction engineering and design for the Fort Bragg, California, Water Supply Project.

#### CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

##### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For construction and rehabilitation of projects and parts thereof (including power transmission facilities for Bureau of Reclamation use) and for other related activities as authorized by law, \$394,056,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$22,410,000 shall be available for transfer to the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund authorized by section 5 of the Act of April 11, 1956 (43 U.S.C. 620d), and \$58,740,000 shall be available for transfer to the Lower Colorado River Basin Development Fund authorized by section 403 of the Act of September 30, 1968 (43 U.S.C. 1543), and such amounts as may be necessary shall be considered as though advanced to the Colorado River Dam Fund for the Boulder Canyon Project as authorized by the Act of December 21, 1928, as amended: *Provided*, That of the total appropriated, the amount for program activities which can be financed by the reclamation fund shall be derived from that fund: *Provided further*, That transfers to the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund and Lower Colorado River Basin Development Fund may be increased or decreased by transfers within the overall appropriation under this heading: *Provided further*, That funds contributed by non-Federal entities for purposes similar to this appropriation shall be available for expenditure for the purposes for which contributed as though specifically appropriated for said purposes, and such funds shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That all costs of the safety of dams modification work at Coolidge Dam, San Carlos Irrigation Project, Arizona, performed under the authority of the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978 (43 U.S.C. 506), as amended, are in addition to the amount authorized in section 5 of said Act: *Provided further*, That section 301 of Public Law 102-250, Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, is amended by inserting “1996, and 1997” in lieu of “and 1996”: *Provided further*, That the amount authorized by section 210 of Public Law 100-557 (102 Stat. 2791), is amended to \$56,362,000 (October 1996 prices plus or minus cost indexing), and funds are authorized to be appropriated through the twelfth fiscal year after construction funds are first made available: *Provided further*, That utilizing funds appropriated for the Tucson Aqueduct System Reliability Investigation, the Bureau of Reclamation is directed to complete, by the end of fiscal year 1997, the environmental impact statement being conducted on the proposed surface reservoir. The Bureau of Reclamation is further directed to work with the City of Tucson on any outstanding issues related to the preferred alternative.

43 USC 2241.

#### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

For operation and maintenance of reclamation projects or parts thereof and other facilities, as authorized by law; and for a soil

and moisture conservation program on lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation, pursuant to law, \$267,876,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the total appropriated, the amount for program activities which can be financed by the reclamation fund shall be derived from that fund, and the amount for program activities which can be derived from the special fee account established pursuant to the Act of December 22, 1987 (16 U.S.C. 460l-6a, as amended), may be derived from that fund: *Provided further*, That funds advanced by water users for operation and maintenance of reclamation projects or parts thereof shall be deposited to the credit of this appropriation and may be expended for the same purpose and in the same manner as sums appropriated herein may be expended, and such advances shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That revenues in the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund shall be available for performing examination of existing structures on participating projects of the Colorado River Storage Project.

#### BUREAU OF RECLAMATION LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans and/or grants, \$12,290,000, to remain available until expended, as authorized by the Small Reclamation Projects Act of August 6, 1956, as amended (43 U.S.C. 422a-422l): *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$37,000,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the program for direct loans and/or grants, \$425,000: *Provided*, That of the total sums appropriated, the amount of program activities which can be financed by the reclamation fund shall be derived from the fund.

#### CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT RESTORATION FUND

For carrying out the programs, projects, plans, and habitat restoration, improvement, and acquisition provisions of the Central Valley Project Improvement Act, such sums as may be collected in the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund pursuant to sections 3407(d), 3404(c)(3), 3405(f), and 3406(c)(1) of Public Law 102-575, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Bureau of Reclamation is directed to levy additional mitigation and restoration payments totaling \$30,000,000 (October 1992 price levels) on a three-year rolling average basis, as authorized by section 3407(d) of Public Law 102-575.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of general administration and related functions in the office of the Commissioner, the Denver office, and offices in the five regions of the Bureau of Reclamation, to remain available until expended, \$46,000,000, to be derived from the reclamation fund and to be nonreimbursable pursuant to the Act of April 19, 1945 (43 U.S.C. 377): *Provided*, That no part of any other appropriation in this Act shall be available for activities or functions budgeted for the current fiscal year as general administrative expenses.

## SPECIAL FUNDS

## (TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Sums herein referred to as being derived from the reclamation fund or special fee account are appropriated from the special funds in the Treasury created by the Act of June 17, 1902 (43 U.S.C. 391) or the Act of December 22, 1987 (16 U.S.C. 4601-6a, as amended), respectively. Such sums shall be transferred, upon request of the Secretary, to be merged with and expended under the heads herein specified.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

Appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation shall be available for purchase of not to exceed 6 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only.

## TITLE III

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

## ENERGY PROGRAMS

## ENERGY SUPPLY, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

For expenses of the Department of Energy activities including the purchase, construction and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for energy supply, research and development activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion; purchase of passenger motor vehicles (not to exceed 24 for replacement only), \$2,710,908,000, to remain available until expended.

## URANIUM SUPPLY AND ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

For expenses of the Department of Energy in connection with operating expenses; the purchase, construction, and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for uranium supply and enrichment activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.) and the Energy Policy Act (Public Law 102-486, section 901), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion; purchase of electricity as necessary; and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles (not to exceed 3 for replacement only); \$43,200,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That revenues received by the Department for uranium programs and estimated to total \$42,200,000 in fiscal year 1997 shall be retained and used for the specific purpose of offsetting costs incurred by the Department for such activities notwithstanding the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 3302(b) and 42 U.S.C. 2296(b)(2): *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as revenues are received during fiscal year 1997 so as to result in a final fiscal year 1997 appropriation from the General Fund estimated at not more than \$1,000,000.

Section 161k. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2201k) with respect to the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant, Kentucky, and the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant, Ohio, the guidelines shall require, at a minimum, the presence of an adequate number of security guards carrying side arms at all times to ensure maintenance of security at the gaseous diffusion plants.

Kentucky.  
Ohio.  
Guidelines.

Section 311(b) of the USEC Privatization Act (Public Law 104–134, title III, chapter 1, subchapter A) insert the following:

“(3) The Corporation shall pay to the Thrift Savings Fund such employee and agency contributions as are required or authorized by sections 8432 and 8351 of title 5, United States Code, for employees who elect to retain their coverage under CSRS or FERS pursuant to paragraph (1).”.

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#### URANIUM ENRICHMENT DECONTAMINATION AND DECOMMISSIONING FUND

For necessary expenses in carrying out uranium enrichment facility decontamination and decommissioning, remedial actions and other activities of title II of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and title X, subtitle A of the Energy Policy Act of 1992, \$200,200,000, to be derived from the Fund, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That \$34,000,000 of amounts derived from the Fund for such expenses shall be available in accordance with title X, subtitle A, of the Energy Policy Act of 1992.

#### GENERAL SCIENCE AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

For expenses of the Department of Energy activities including the purchase, construction and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for general science and research activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, \$996,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### NUCLEAR WASTE DISPOSAL FUND

For nuclear waste disposal activities to carry out the purposes of Public Law 97–425, as amended, including the acquisition of real property or facility construction or expansion, \$182,000,000, to remain available until expended, to be derived from the Nuclear Waste Fund: *Provided*, That none of the funds provided herein shall be distributed to the State of Nevada or affected units of local government (as defined by Public Law 97–425) by direct payment, grant, or other means, for financial assistance under section 116 of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended: *Provided further*, That the foregoing proviso shall not apply to payments in lieu of taxes under section 116(c)(3)(A) of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended: *Provided further*, That no later than September 30, 1998, the Secretary shall provide to the President and to the Congress a viability assessment of the Yucca Mountain site. The viability assessment shall include:

Assessment.  
42 USC 10134  
note.

- (1) the preliminary design concept for the critical elements for the repository and waste package;
- (2) a total system performance assessment, based upon the design concept and the scientific data and analysis available

by September 30, 1998, describing the probable behavior of the repository in the Yucca Mountain geological setting relative to the overall system performance standards;

(3) a plan and cost estimate for the remaining work required to complete a license application; and

(4) an estimate of the costs to construct and operate the repository in accordance with the design concept.

#### DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

For salaries and expenses of the Department of Energy necessary for Departmental Administration in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), including the hire of passenger motor vehicles and official reception and representation expenses (not to exceed \$35,000), \$215,021,000, to remain available until expended, plus such additional amounts as necessary to cover increases in the estimated amount of cost of work for others notwithstanding the provisions of the Anti-Deficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 1511, et seq.): *Provided*, That such increases in cost of work are offset by revenue increases of the same or greater amount, to remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That moneys received by the Department for miscellaneous revenues estimated to total \$125,388,000 in fiscal year 1997 may be retained and used for operating expenses within this account, and may remain available until expended, as authorized by section 201 of Public Law 95-238, notwithstanding the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 3302: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced by the amount of miscellaneous revenues received during fiscal year 1997 so as to result in a final fiscal year 1997 appropriation from the General Fund estimated at not more than \$89,633,000.

#### OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, \$23,853,000, to remain available until expended.

#### ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

##### WEAPONS ACTIVITIES

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for atomic energy defense weapons activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion; and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles (not to exceed 94 for replacement only), \$3,911,198,000, to remain available until expended.

##### DEFENSE ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION AND WASTE MANAGEMENT

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for atomic energy defense environmental restoration and waste management activities in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C.

7101, et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion; and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles (not to exceed 20, of which 19 are for replacement only), \$5,459,304,000, to remain available until expended and, in addition, \$160,000,000 for privatization initiatives, to remain available until expended.

#### OTHER DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

For Department of Energy expenses, including the purchase, construction and acquisition of plant and capital equipment and other expenses necessary for atomic energy defense, other defense activities, in carrying out the purposes of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), including the acquisition or condemnation of any real property or any facility or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, and the purchase of passenger motor vehicles (not to exceed 2 for replacement only), \$1,605,733,000, to remain available until expended.

#### DEFENSE NUCLEAR WASTE DISPOSAL

For nuclear waste disposal activities to carry out the purposes of Public Law 97–425, as amended, including the acquisition of real property or facility construction or expansion, \$200,000,000, to remain available until expended.

#### POWER MARKETING ADMINISTRATIONS

##### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ALASKA POWER ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of projects in Alaska and of marketing electric power and energy, \$4,000,000, to remain available until expended.

##### BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION FUND

Expenditures from the Bonneville Power Administration Fund, established pursuant to Public Law 93–454, are approved for official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.

During fiscal year 1997, no new direct loan obligations may be made.

##### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SOUTHEASTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of power transmission facilities and of marketing electric power and energy pursuant to the provisions of section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), as applied to the southeastern power area, \$16,359,000, to remain available until expended.

##### OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SOUTHWESTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of power transmission facilities and of marketing electric power and energy, and for construction and acquisition of transmission lines, substations and appurtenant facilities, and for administrative expenses,

including official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$1,500 in carrying out the provisions of section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 825s), as applied to the southwestern power area, \$25,210,000, to remain available until expended; in addition, notwithstanding the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 3302, not to exceed \$3,787,000 in reimbursements, to remain available until expended.

CONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE,  
WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For carrying out the functions authorized by title III, section 302(a)(1)(E) of the Act of August 4, 1977 (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), and other related activities including conservation and renewable resources programs as authorized, including official reception and representation expenses in an amount not to exceed \$1,500, \$193,582,000, to remain available until expended, of which \$185,687,000 shall be derived from the Department of the Interior Reclamation Fund: *Provided*, That of the amount herein appropriated, \$5,432,000 is for deposit into the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account pursuant to title IV of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to transfer from the Colorado River Dam Fund to the Western Area Power Administration \$3,774,000 to carry out the power marketing and transmission activities of the Boulder Canyon project as provided in section 104(a)(4) of the Hoover Power Plant Act of 1984, to remain available until expended.

FALCON AND AMISTAD OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE FUND

For operation, maintenance, and emergency costs for the hydro-electric facilities at the Falcon and Amistad Dams, \$970,000, to remain available until expended, and to be derived from the Falcon and Amistad Operating and Maintenance Fund of the Western Area Power Administration, as provided in section 423 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, fiscal years 1994 and 1995.

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to carry out the provisions of the Department of Energy Organization Act (42 U.S.C. 7101, et seq.), including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, the hire of passenger motor vehicles, and official reception and representation expenses (not to exceed \$3,000), \$146,290,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, not to exceed \$146,290,000 of revenues from fees and annual charges, and other services and collections in fiscal year 1997 shall be retained and used for necessary expenses in this account, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as revenues are received during fiscal year 1997 so as to result in a final fiscal year 1997 appropriation from the General Fund estimated at not more than \$0.

42 USC 7171  
note.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

## PRIORITY PLACEMENT, JOB PLACEMENT, RETRAINING, AND COUNSELING PROGRAMS FOR UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY EMPLOYEES AFFECTED BY A REDUCTION IN FORCE

## SEC. 301. (a) DEFINITIONS.—

42 USC 7237.

(1) For the purposes of this section, the term “agency” means the United States Department of Energy.

(2) For the purposes of this section, the term “eligible employee” means any employee of the agency who—

(A) is scheduled to be separated from service due to a reduction in force under—

(i) regulations prescribed under section 3502 of title 5, United States Code; or

(ii) procedures established under section 3595 of title 5, United States Code; or

(B) is separated from service due to such a reduction in force, but does not include—

(i) an employee separated from service for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency; or

(ii) an employee who, at the time of separation, meets the age and service requirements for an immediate annuity under subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code.

(b) PRIORITY PLACEMENT AND RETRAINING PROGRAM.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the United States Department of Energy shall establish an agency-wide priority placement and retraining program for eligible employees.

Establishment.

(c) The priority placement program established under subsection (b) shall include provisions under which a vacant position shall not be filled by the appointment or transfer of any individual from outside of the agency if—

(1) there is then available any eligible employee who applies for the position within 30 days of the agency issuing a job announcement and is qualified (or can be trained or retrained to become qualified within 90 days of assuming the position) for the position; and

(2) the position is within the same commuting area as the eligible employee’s last-held position or residence.

(d) JOB PLACEMENT AND COUNSELING SERVICES.—The head of the agency may establish a program to provide job placement and counseling services to eligible employees. A program established under subsection (d) may include, but is not limited to, such services as—

(1) career and personal counseling;

(2) training and job search skills; and

(3) job placement assistance, including assistance provided through cooperative arrangements with State and local employment services offices.

SEC. 302. None of the funds appropriated by this or any other Act may be used to implement section 3140 of H.R. 3230 as reported by the Committee of Conference on July 30, 1996. The Secretary of Energy shall develop a plan to reorganize the field activities and management of the national security functions of the Department of Energy and shall submit such plan to the Congress not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act. The

42 USC 7252  
note.  
Plan.

plan will specifically identify all significant functions performed by the Department's national security operations and area offices and make recommendations as to where those functions should be performed.

#### TITLE IV

#### INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

##### APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION

42 USC app. 401  
note.

For expenses necessary to carry out the programs authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, as amended, notwithstanding section 405 of said Act, and for necessary expenses for the Federal Co-Chairman and the alternate on the Appalachian Regional Commission and for payment of the Federal share of the administrative expenses of the Commission, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$160,000,000, to remain available until expended.

##### DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD

##### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board in carrying out activities authorized by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by Public Law 100-456, section 1441, \$16,000,000, to remain available until expended.

##### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

##### SALARIES AND EXPENSES

##### (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Commission in carrying out the purposes of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, and the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, including the employment of aliens; services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; publication and dissemination of atomic information; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms; official representation expenses (not to exceed \$20,000); reimbursements to the General Services Administration for security guard services; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft, \$471,800,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the amount appropriated herein, \$11,000,000 shall be derived from the Nuclear Waste Fund: *Provided further*, That from this appropriation, transfer of sums may be made to other agencies of the Government for the performance of the work for which this appropriation is made, and in such cases the sums so transferred may be merged with the appropriation to which transferred: *Provided further*, That moneys received by the Commission for the cooperative nuclear safety research program, services rendered to foreign governments and international organizations, and the material and information access authorization programs, including criminal history checks under section 149 of the Atomic Energy Act may be retained and used for salaries and expenses associated with those activities, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That revenues from licensing fees, inspection services, and other services

and collections estimated at \$457,300,000 in fiscal year 1997 shall be retained and used for necessary salaries and expenses in this account, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That the funds herein appropriated for regulatory reviews and other activities pertaining to waste stored at the Hanford site, Washington, shall be excluded from license fee revenues, notwithstanding 42 U.S.C. 2214: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced by the amount of revenues received during fiscal year 1997 from licensing fees, inspection services and other services and collections, excluding those moneys received for the cooperative nuclear safety research program, services rendered to foreign governments and international organizations, and the material and information access authorization programs, so as to result in a final fiscal year 1997 appropriation estimated at not more than \$14,500,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$5,000,000, to remain available until expended; and in addition, an amount not to exceed 5 percent of this sum may be transferred from Salaries and Expenses, Nuclear Regulatory Commission: *Provided*, That notice of such transfers shall be given to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate: *Provided further*, That from this appropriation, transfers of sums may be made to other agencies of the Government for the performance of the work for which this appropriation is made, and in such cases the sums so transferred may be merged with the appropriation to which transferred: *Provided further*, That revenues from licensing fees, inspection services, and other services and collections shall be retained and used for necessary salaries and expenses in this account, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced by the amount of revenues received during fiscal year 1997 from licensing fees, inspection services, and other services and collections, so as to result in a final fiscal year 1997 appropriation estimated at not more than \$0.

Notice.

NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board, as authorized by Public Law 100-203, section 5051, \$2,531,000, to be derived from the Nuclear Waste Fund, and to remain available until expended.

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933, as amended (16 U.S.C. ch. 12A), including hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft, and purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles, \$106,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the funds provided herein,

\$15,000,000 shall be made available for the Environmental Research Center in Muscle Shoals, Alabama: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided herein, \$6,000,000 shall be made available for operation, maintenance, improvement, and surveillance of Land Between the Lakes: *Provided further*, That of the amount provided herein, \$15,000,000 shall be available for Economic Development activities: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided herein, shall be available for detailed engineering and design or constructing a replacement for Chickamauga Lock and Dam on the Tennessee River System.

## TITLE V

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 501. (a) PURCHASE OF AMERICAN-MADE EQUIPMENT AND PRODUCTS.—It is the sense of the Congress that, to the greatest extent practicable, all equipment and products purchased with funds made available in this Act should be American-made.

(b) NOTICE REQUIREMENT.—In providing financial assistance to, or entering into any contract with, any entity using funds made available in this Act, the head of each Federal agency, to the greatest extent practicable, shall provide to such entity a notice describing the statement made in subsection (a) by the Congress.

(c) PROHIBITION OF CONTRACTS WITH PERSONS FALSELY LABELING PRODUCTS AS MADE IN AMERICA.—If it has been finally determined by a court or Federal agency that any person intentionally affixed a label bearing a “Made in America” inscription, or any inscription with the same meaning, to any product sold in or shipped to the United States that is not made in the United States, the person shall be ineligible to receive any contract or subcontract made with funds made available in this Act, pursuant to the debarment, suspension, and ineligibility procedures described in sections 9.400 through 9.409 of title 48, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 502. 42 U.S.C. 7262 is repealed.

SEC. 503. (a) None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to determine the final point of discharge for the interceptor drain for the San Luis Unit until development by the Secretary of the Interior and the State of California of a plan, which shall conform to the water quality standards of the State of California as approved by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, to minimize any detrimental effect of the San Luis drainage waters.

California.

(b) The costs of the Kesterson Reservoir Cleanup Program and the costs of the San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program shall be classified by the Secretary of the Interior as reimbursable or nonreimbursable and collected until fully repaid pursuant to the “Cleanup Program—Alternative Repayment Plan” and the “SJVDP—Alternative Repayment Plan” described in the report entitled “Repayment Report, Kesterson Reservoir Cleanup Program and San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program, February 1995”, prepared by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation. Any future obligations of funds by the United States relating to, or providing for, drainage service or drainage studies for the San Luis Unit shall be fully reimbursable by San Luis Unit beneficiaries of such service or studies pursuant to Federal Reclamation law.

SEC. 504. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to revise the Missouri River Master Water Control Manual when it is made known to the Federal entity or official to which the funds are made available that such revision provides for an increase in the springtime water release program during the spring heavy rainfall and snow melt period in States that have rivers draining into the Missouri River below the Gavins Point Dam.

SEC. 505. Public Law 101-514, the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 1991, is amended effective September 30, 1997 or upon operation of the temperature control device, by striking the proviso under the heading "Construction, Rehabilitation, Operation and Maintenance, Western Area Power Administration".

Effective date.  
*Ante*, p. 415.

SEC. 506. The Secretary of the Interior shall extend the water service contracts for the following projects, entered into by the Secretary of the Interior under subsection (e) of section 9 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485h) and section 9(c) of the Act of December 22, 1944 (58 Stat. 891, chapter 665), for a period of 1 additional year after the dates on which each of the contracts, respectively, would expire but for this section:

Contracts.  
Kansas.  
Nebraska.

(1) The Bostwick District (Kansas portion), Missouri River Basin Project, consisting of the project constructed and operated under the Act of December 22, 1944 (58 Stat. 887, chapter 665), as a component of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, situated in Republic County, Jewell County, and Cloud County, Kansas.

(2) The Bostwick District (Nebraska portion), Missouri River Basin Project, consisting of the project constructed and operated under the Act of December 22, 1944 (58 Stat. 887, chapter 665), as a component of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, situated in Harlan County, Franklin County, Webster County, and Nuckolls County, Nebraska.

(3) The Frenchman-Cambridge District, Missouri River Basin Project, consisting of the project constructed and operated under the Act of December 22, 1944 (58 Stat. 887, chapter 665), as a component of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, situated in Chase County, Frontier County, Hitchcock County, Furnas County, and Harlan County, Nebraska.

SEC. 507. Funds made available by this Act to the Department of Energy shall be available only for the purposes for which they have been made available by this Act. The Department of Energy shall report by February 28, 1997 to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate on the Department of Energy's adherence to the recommendations included in the accompanying report.

Reports.

SEC. 508. (a) DENIAL OF FUNDS FOR PREVENTING ROTC ACCESS TO CAMPUS.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be provided by contract or by grant (including a grant of funds to be available for student aid) to a subelement of an institution of higher education when it is made known to the Federal official having authority to obligate or expend such funds that the subelement of such institution has a policy or practice (regardless of when implemented) that prohibits, or in effect prevents—

(1) the maintaining, establishing, or operation of a unit of the Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps (in accordance with section 654 of title 10, United States Code, and other

applicable Federal laws) at the subelement of such institution; or

(2) a student at the institution (or subelement) from enrolling in a unit of the Senior Reserve Officer Training Corps at another institution of higher education.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The limitation established in subsection (a) shall not apply to an institution of higher education when it is made known to the Federal official having authority to obligate or expend such funds that—

(1) the institution (or subelement) has ceased the policy or practice described in such subsection; or

(2) the institution has a longstanding policy of pacifism based on historical religious affiliation.

SEC. 509. (a) DENIAL OF FUNDS FOR PREVENTING FEDERAL MILITARY RECRUITING ON CAMPUS.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be provided by contract or grant (including a grant of funds to be available for student aid) to a subelement of an institution of higher education when it is made known to the Federal official having authority to obligate or expend such funds that the subelement of such institution has a policy or practice (regardless of when implemented) that prohibits, or in effect prevents—

(1) entry to campuses, or access to students (who are 17 years of age or older) on campuses, for purposes of Federal military recruiting; or

(2) access to the following information pertaining to students (who are 17 years of age or older) for purposes of Federal military recruiting: student names, addresses, telephone listings, dates and places of birth, levels of education, degrees received, prior military experience, and the most recent previous educational institutions enrolled in by the students.

(b) EXCEPTION.—The limitation established in subsection (a) shall not apply to an institution of higher education when it is made known to the Federal official having authority to obligate or expend such funds that—

(1) the institution (or subelement) has ceased the policy or practice described in such subsection; or

(2) the institution has a longstanding policy of pacifism based on historical religious affiliation.

SEC. 510. None of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended to enter into or renew a contract with an entity when it is made known to the Federal official having authority to obligate or expend such funds that—

(1) such entity is otherwise a contractor with the United States and is subject to the requirement in section 4212(d) of title 38, United States Code, regarding submission of an annual report to the Secretary of Labor concerning employment of certain veterans; and

(2) such entity has not submitted a report as required by that section for the most recent year for which such requirement was applicable to such entity.

SEC. 511. The Administrator may offer employees voluntary separation incentives as deemed necessary which shall not exceed \$25,000. Recipients who accept employment with the United States within five years after separation shall repay the entire amount to the Bonneville Power Administration. This authority shall expire September 30, 2000.

Voluntary  
separation  
payments.  
16 USC 832m  
note.  
Expiration date.

SEC. 512. Following section 4(h)(10)(C) of the Northwest Power Planning and Conservation Act, insert the following new section:

16 USC 839b.

(4)(h)(10)(D) INDEPENDENT SCIENTIFIC REVIEW PANEL.—(i) The Northwest Power Planning Council (Council) shall appoint an Independent Scientific Review Panel (Panel), which shall be comprised of eleven members, to review projects proposed to be funded through that portion of the Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA) annual fish and wildlife budget that implements the Council's fish and wildlife program. Members shall be appointed from a list of no fewer than 20 scientists submitted by the National Academy of Sciences (Academy), provided that Pacific Northwest scientists with expertise in Columbia River anadromous and non-anadromous fish and wildlife and ocean experts shall be among those represented on the Panel. The Academy shall provide such nominations within 90 days of the date of this enactment, and in any case not later than December 31, 1996. If appointments are required in subsequent years, the Council shall request nominations from the Academy and the Academy shall provide nominations not later than 90 days after the date of this request. If the Academy does not provide nominations within these time requirements, the Council may appoint such members as the Council deems appropriate.

Fish and wildlife.

(ii) SCIENTIFIC PEER REVIEW GROUPS.—The Council shall establish Scientific Peer Review Groups (Peer Review Groups), which shall be comprised of the appropriate number of scientists, from a list submitted by the Academy to assist the Panel in making its recommendations to the Council for projects to be funded through BPA's annual fish and wildlife budget, provided that Pacific Northwest scientists with expertise in Columbia River anadromous and non-anadromous fish and wildlife and ocean experts shall be among those represented on the Peer Review Groups. The Academy shall provide such nominations within 90 days of the date of this enactment, and in any case not later than December 31, 1996. If appointments are required in subsequent years, the Council shall request nominations from the Academy and the Academy shall provide nominations not later than 90 days after the date of this request. If the Academy does not provide nominations within these time requirements, the Council may appoint such members as the Council deems appropriate.

(iii) CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND COMPENSATION.—Panel and Peer Review Group members may be compensated and shall be considered subject to the conflict of interest standards that apply to scientists performing comparable work for the National Academy of Sciences; provided that a Panel or Peer Review Group members with a direct or indirect financial interest in a project, or projects, shall recuse himself or herself from review of, or recommendations associated with, such project or projects. All expenses of the Panel and the Peer Review Groups shall be paid by BPA as provided for under paragraph (vii). Neither the Panel nor the Peer Review Groups shall be deemed advisory committees within the meaning of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

(iv) PROJECT CRITERIA AND REVIEW.—The Peer Groups, in conjunction with the Panel, shall review projects proposed to be funded through BPA's annual fish and wildlife budget and make recommendations on matters related to such projects to the Council no later than June 15 of each year. If the recommendations are not received by the Council by this date, the Council may proceed

to make final recommendations on project funding to BPA, relying on the best information available. The Panel and Peer Review Groups shall review a sufficient number of projects to adequately ensure that the list of prioritized projects recommended is consistent with the Council's program. Project recommendations shall be based on a determination that projects: are based on sound science principles; benefit fish and wildlife; and have a clearly defined objective and outcome with provisions for monitoring and evaluation of results. The Panel, with assistance from the Peer Review Groups, shall review, on an annual basis, the results of prior year expenditures based upon these criteria and submit its findings to the Council for its review.

(v) PUBLIC REVIEW.—Upon completion of the review of projects to be funded through BPA's annual fish and wildlife budget, the Peer Review Groups shall submit its findings to the Panel. The Panel shall analyze the information submitted by the Peer Review Groups and submit recommendations on project priorities to the Council. The Council shall make the Panel's findings available to the public and subject to public comment.

(vi) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL.—The Council shall fully consider the recommendations of the Panel when making its final recommendations of projects to be funded through BPA's annual fish and wildlife budget, and if the Council does not incorporate a recommendation of the Panel, the Council shall explain in writing its reasons for not accepting Panel recommendations. In making its recommendations to BPA, the Council shall consider the impact of ocean conditions on fish and wildlife populations and shall determine whether the projects employ cost-effective measures to achieve program objectives. The Council, after consideration of the recommendations of the Panel and other appropriate entities, shall be responsible for making the final recommendations of projects to be funded through BPA's annual fish and wildlife budget.

(vii) COST LIMITATION.—The cost of this provision shall not exceed \$2,000,000 in 1997 dollars.

(viii) EXPIRATION.—This paragraph shall expire on September 30, 2000.

Texas.

#### DESIGNATION OF JIM CHAPMAN LAKE

SEC. 513. Cooper Lake, located on the Sulphur River near Cooper, Texas, is named and designated as the "Jim Chapman Lake". Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, or record of the United States to such lake shall be held to be a reference to the "Jim Chapman Lake".

Oregon.

#### DESIGNATION OF WILLIAM L. JESS DAM AND INTAKE STRUCTURE

SEC. 514. The dam located at mile 158.6 on the Rogue River in Jackson County, Oregon, and commonly known as the Lost Creek Dam Lake Project, shall be known and designated as the "William L. Jess Dam and Intake Structure". Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the dam referred to as Lost Creek Dam Lake Project, shall be deemed to be a reference to the "William L. Jess Dam and Intake Structure".

## DESIGNATION OF J. BENNETT JOHNSTON WATERWAY

Louisiana.

SEC. 515. The portion of the Red River, Louisiana, from new river mile 0 to new river mile 235 shall be known and designated as the “J. Bennett Johnston Waterway”. Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to such portion of the Red River shall be deemed to be a reference to the “J. Bennett Johnston Waterway”.

This Act may be cited as the “Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 1997”.

Approved September 30, 1996.

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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—H.R. 3816 (S. 1959):

HOUSE REPORTS: Nos. 104–679 (Comm. on Appropriations) and 104–782 (Comm. of Conference).

SENATE REPORTS: No. 104–320 accompanying S. 1959 (Comm. on Appropriations).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 142 (1996):

July 24, 25, considered and passed House.

July 26, 29, 30, considered and passed Senate, amended, in lieu of S. 1959.

Sept. 12, House agreed to conference report.

Sept. 17, Senate agreed to conference report.

WEEKLY COMPILATION OF PRESIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS, Vol. 32 (1996):

Sept. 30, Presidential statement.

