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Dear Mr. Price:

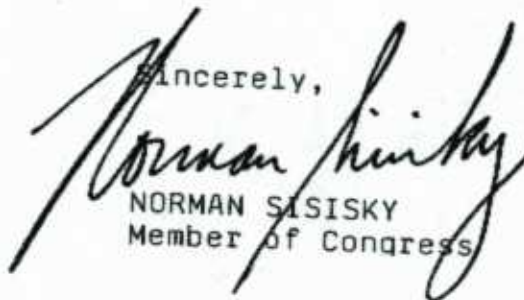
Thank you for your comments regarding S. 1567, the Water Resources Development Act. This bill was passed by the Senate on March 26, 1986. The House version of the bill was passed on November 13, 1985. The bill is expected to go to conference in the near future.

Many observers anticipate that if cost-sharing provisions are not included in the final version of the legislation, the Water Resources Development Act will not pass--or if passed, will be vetoed by the President. I am particularly concerned that this would terminate funding for necessary projects in our area. The Senate version of the bill, for example includes \$101.2 million for flood control in the James River Basin and \$538 million for projects at Hampton Roads.

I will do everything possible to ensure that the House version of this legislation will prevail in the conference committee and that local communities are treated fairly. In the meantime, I will also contact the Corps of Engineers for more details about the Bennetts Creek project.

Once again, thank you for bringing your concern to my attention. Please do not hesitate to contact me about any other matter of particular importance.

Sincerely,



NORMAN SISISKY  
Member of Congress

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