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Paducah/McCracken County Riverport Authority
c/o Mr. Tim Cahill, Executive Director
2000 Wayne Sullivan Dr., P.O. Box 2302
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Mr. Cahill,

It is my distinct pleasure to offer this letter of support for your recent application for grant funding in the amount of \$3.82 million dollars to support your infrastructure revitalization and expansion project.

Due to the proximity of the Paducah/McCracken County Riverport to our community we receive several thousand tons of material per year through your facility, therefore the proposed improvement to your port will have a dramatic impact on Crittenden County and our entire quad state area. The revitalization and expansion project also seems to be well timed with the expansion to the locks at Kentucky Dam on the Tennessee river which will significantly increase river traffic in our area from around the world.

In closing, I suggest the grant committee provide complete support of this project and award the Paducah/McCracken County Riverport Authority with the amount of funding requested. This project will have far reaching benefits for the entire south-central region of our country and I cannot think of a better use for the Small Ports and Terminals grant funds than awarding this request immediately.

Respectfully Submitted,

Perry A. Newcom, Judge Executive