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January 9, 1976

Speaker of the House
President of the Senate



This letter reports the release of \$202.8 million in impounded budget authority required to be made available for obligation by section 1013(b) of the Impoundment Control Act of 1974.

The President's eighth special message submitted to the Congress on December 1, 1975, proposed deferrals (D76-70, 72, 73, and 74) of \$167.5 million in budget authority for the Department of Agriculture. On December 19, 1975, the House disapproved those deferrals (House Resolutions 912, 914, 915, and 916), thereby requiring the funds to be made available for obligation. We have confirmed that OMB has apportioned the budget authority to the Department of Agriculture and the Department has made it available for obligation.

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The President's eighth special message also proposed deferrals (D76-79 through 83) of \$35.3 million in budget authority for the Environmental Protection Agency. The House disapproved these deferrals on December 19 (House Resolutions 920 through 924). We have confirmed that OMB has apportioned the budget authority to the Environmental Protection Agency and the Agency has made it available for obligation.

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Deferrals D76-68 and 69 were also disapproved by the House on December 19, 1975. However, these deferrals had previously been disapproved by the Senate (Senate Resolutions 313 and 324). We reported the release of this budget authority in our report on the President's eighth special message (B-115398 dated January 6, 1976).

Sincerely yours,

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