

of operating sewage treatment works. Equity would seem to indicate that these additional costs should be borne by the general public who benefit from the additional treatment, as well as those who are discharging wastes to the treatment plant.

Therefore, I urge your favorable consideration of the bill with the following modifications:

1. Strike the word "chemical" at the start of Line 1, Page 2.
2. Strike Lines 12, 13 and 14 on Page 2 and in lieu thereof insert, "waste treatment plants where in the opinion of the Secretary a higher than normal degree of treatment is required to meet water quality standards."

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES B. COULTER,
Assistant Commissioner, Environmental Health Services.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 1, 1968.

Representative RICHARD BOLLING,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.:

Recommend you support certain features of H.R. 15907 for long term Federal loans to finance municipal sewage treatment facilities. Major provisions of bill could benefit Missouri cities. Urge this legislation be enacted as an additional means of financing and not as substitute for existing program. Recent favorable State action providing \$2.5 million State matching funds for 25-25-50 program should be continued and expanded as soon as Federal funds allow. While new legislation appears helpful, we are concerned about non-tax exempt features of proposal, possibility of undue Federal interference in establishing service charges, and extent which Missouri law will permit utilization of this type bond.

ILUS W. DAVIS, *Mayor.*

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND
CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS,
Washington, D.C., May 9, 1968.

HON. GEORGE H. FALLON,
*Chairman, Committee on Public Works,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: In connection with hearings by your Committee on amendments to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, I am submitting the enclosed statement on behalf of the AFL-CIO. I respectfully request that this statement be included in the record of hearings. Thank you.

Sincerely,

ANDREW J. BIEMILLER,
Director, Department of Legislation.

STATEMENT BY ANDREW J. BIEMILLER, DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATION,
AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AND CONGRESS OF INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONS

Mr. Chairman, my name is Andrew J. Biemiller. I am Director, Department of Legislation, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations. I am also chairman of the AFL-CIO Staff Committee on Atomic Energy and Natural Resources.

I appreciate this opportunity to present the position of organized labor on S. 2760, H.R. 15906 and H.R. 15907, amending the Water Pollution Control Act.

S. 2760 and H.R. 15906 amend the sections of the Act dealing with oil pollution. S. 2760 provides for federal contracts and grants with or to public or private entities to develop methods of controlling pollution of lakes and controlling acid or mine pollution, including an area demonstration program.

The AFL-CIO wishes to go on record in general support of S. 2760 and H.R. 15907 with amendments I shall propose as follows:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO S. 2760

1. In Section 19(a) the definition of public shore installation should be broadened to include those operated by regional or local government agencies, as well as those operated by the United States, or by a state.