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MUSKIE PRAISES NADER WATER POLLUTION REPORT

I have reviewed the Nader Task Force Report on Water Pollution with great interest and anticipation. It is both revealing and disturbing -- revealing because it provides an excellent insight into specific water pollution situations and disturbing because of the inadequacies in the Federal-State water pollution control effort which it points out.

David Zwick and his associates have provided the Congress a frank, open and important challenge. Their criticism of the existing program and pending legislation, including my own bill, will be a useful supplement to the testimony which Mr. Zwick presented to the Subcommittee last month.

I sincerely hope my colleagues and the Administration will carefully review the recommendations of this report. From this material and the testimony the Subcommittee on Air and Water Pollution has received this year, tough and effective legislation should result.
