



CITY OF EVANSVILLE

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
JONATHAN WEINZAPFEL

February 26, 2010

The Honorable Richard G. Lugar
United States Senate
306 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Lugar:

I write to you today to request an appropriation of \$100,000 for the City of Evansville to conduct a Slack Water Harbor Intermodal Transportation Facility Study.

The City of Evansville is in a unique geographic location to capitalize on the growing amount of goods shipped via containers. With an appropriate intermodal transportation facility, Evansville could serve as a commercial shipping hub for the entire Midwestern region.

This project could be an enormous economic catalyst for the City and all of Southwest Indiana—creating jobs, encouraging new business and making existing businesses more efficient. Companies could save money by shipping their goods by barge, and then offloading them at the harbor. In turn, that will create more business and high-paying jobs for our City – a goal I know we both share.

I strongly support this project and respectfully request your support for \$100,000 from the Army Corps of Engineers Investigations Account within the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill.

I greatly appreciate your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (812) 436-4962.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Weinzapfel
Mayor