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CERTIFICATE OF APPORTIONMENT OF \$424,683,137 OF THE APPROPRIATION FOR DINGELL-JOHNSON SPORT FISH RESTORATION (CFDA NO. 15.605) TO THE STATES, THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, GUAM, THE U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS, AMERICAN SAMOA, THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023

To: State Fish and Wildlife Agencies  
Secretary, Department of Natural Resources of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico  
Governor of Guam  
Governor of the U.S. Virgin Islands  
Governor of American Samoa  
Governor of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
Mayor of the District of Columbia  
Secretary of the Treasury

Pursuant to the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 777 et seq.), we have apportioned \$424,683,137 to the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the District of Columbia. The funds are apportioned based on the amount credited during Fiscal Year 2022 to the Sport Fish Restoration Account. This includes \$8,062,902 in Sport Fish Restoration Funds that were reverted from previous year apportionments and \$750,000 in reverted administrative funds. Also included in this apportionment is \$22,602,188 that was sequestered in 2022 and is now available. A preliminary apportionment of \$287,666,466 was made on November 10, 2022, and is included as part of this final apportionment. The funds are available for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2022, and are available for the period of time specified in the Act.

The amounts apportioned to the States are as provided by Section 4 of the Act and adjusted so that no State shall receive more than 5 percent or less than 1 percent of the total amount apportioned. The amounts apportioned to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the District of Columbia are as provided by Section 12 of the Act.

Therefore, in accordance with the above, the apportionment of Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration funds for Fiscal Year 2023 is as shown on the enclosed tabulation.

Additional deductions from the Sport Fish Restoration Account and amendments to previous year apportionments include:

**Sequestration** - A total of \$23,771,239 has been temporarily sequestered from the Sport Fish Restoration Fund and will be available for apportionment next year.

**Multi-State Conservation Grant** – A total of \$3,000,000 was directed into the Multi-State Conservation Grant Program.

**FWS Administration** – A total of \$13,835,135 was withheld for FWS Administrative Support. This amount did not include the increase for the Consumer Price Index for 2022 that was included in the National Defense Authorization Act that passed in December 2022, as other funding associated with the Sport Fish Restoration Account had been awarded by that time.

**National Outreach Program** – A total of \$14,481,117 was withheld for the National Outreach Program.

**Fisheries Commissions** – A total of \$800,000 was withheld to support the Fisheries Commissions.

**Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council** - A total of \$400,000 was withheld to support the Council.

**Boating Infrastructure Improvement Program** – A total of \$28,962,235 was withheld to support the Boating Infrastructure Improvement Program.

**Coastal Wetlands Program** – A total of \$20,280,443 was withheld to support the Coastal Wetlands Program.

**North American Wetlands Conservation Account** – A total of \$20,280,443 was transferred to the North American Wetlands Conservation Account.

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Director

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Date

Enclosure