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RE: Federal Register Solicitation for Proposals by Non-Federal Interests in Authorized Water Resources Development Projects: Optimization of Existing Storage Volumes in Federal Reservoirs in the Delaware River Basin

Dear Ms. Kiefel:

The City of New York supports the December 3, 2014 proposal submitted by the Delaware River Basin Commission to study the feasibility of optimizing the uses of the existing storage volumes in the three federally owned reservoirs within the Delaware River Basin (Basin). The proposed study offers the potential for better management of the Basin's water resources that could provide significant stakeholder benefit.

Sincerely,

Emily Lloyd