

Association of Metropolitan Sewerage Agencies

IMMEDIATE ACTION REQUESTED

To:	SELECTED AMSA MEMBERS
From:	National Office
Date:	February 24, 2005
Subject:	LETTER NEEDED TO SUPPORT FUNDING FOR NBP PROGRAM

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies and the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior & Related Agencies will soon begin to discuss the fiscal year (FY) 2006 budget for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) including AMSA's request of **\$1** million to fund the activities of the National Biosolids Partnership (NBP) for next year.

Because one of your Representatives or Senators is a member of the House or Senate Appropriations Committees (see attached Committee lists), we are asking you to *contact your Member of Congress by March 18, 2005*, if possible.

Please write a letter urging your Representative or Senator to request that \$1 million for the NBP be included in EPA's budget for FY 2006. We also urge you to send a copy of your letter to your Members' District or State office and to call that office to reiterate your support for the NBP program.

It's easy to quickly contact your Member! We have developed two sample letters (attached) for you to personalize and conveniently fax or directly email to your Senator or Representative. You also can download the letters from *Write Congress Now*, which is located on the home page of AMSA's website at *www.amsa-cleanwater.org*.

Upon completion of your letter, please forward a copy to AMSA's Lee Garrigan by fax (202/833-4657) or email (*lgarrigan@amsa-cleanwater.org*). If you have any questions or would like further assistance, please contact Lee at 202/833-4655. Thank you for your time and attention to this very important issue.

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