Office of the White House Press Secretary (Rockford, Illinois)

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S. J. Res. 59 - International Petroluem Exposition. The Resolution authorizes and requests the President to invite the States of the Union and foreign nations to participate in the International Petroluem Exposition to be held at Tulsa, Oklahoma from May 16 through May 22, 1976. The Exposition has been held every five years for the past half century.

The President has signed S. 151 - the Reclamation Authorization Act of 1975. The bill authroizes the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Polecat Bench, Wyoming Project, and the Pollock-Herreid unit, South Dakota. They are part of the Pick-Sloan Missouri River Basin Program. The bill also authorizes modifications in the Dickinson Dam Project, North Dakota; and in the McKay Dam Project, Oregon.

The President has issued a statement on the signing of the bill noting that he will not seek funds for the projects until on-going studies on economic justification and the amount of Federal participation in the projects have been completed.

(This material has also been released by the Office of the White House Press Secretary in Washington)

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