

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 24, 1976

The President
of the Senate

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$11,300,000 for the Environmental Protection Agency.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "G" and "F".

Enclosure



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

May 24, 1976

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration an amendment to the request for appropriations transmitted in the budget for fiscal year 1977, involving an increase in the amount of \$11,300,000 for the Environmental Protection Agency. Details of the amendment are contained in the enclosure to this letter.

I have carefully reviewed this budget request and am satisfied that it is necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that this proposal be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James T. Lynn", is written over the typed name and title.

James T. Lynn
Director

Attachment

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Budget appendix page	Heading	1977 Request pending	1977 Proposed amendment	1977 Revised request
635	Abatement and control	\$329,544,000	\$11,300,000	\$340,844,000

The proposed budget amendment provides the funds necessary to implement a new program to regulate discharges of toxic pollutants. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recently developed a comprehensive plan to regulate the toxic water pollution discharges from 21 industry categories. This plan calls for the establishment of standards which provide a reasonable balance between environmental and economic considerations. This budget amendment will supplement funds currently available in 1976 and requested in the 1977 budget for the EPA effluent guidelines program.