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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 13, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

KEN COLE

Your decision on the strip mining bill has been made public in the House of Representatives. Frank Zarb, John Whitaker and John Quarles are scheduled to brief the press at 3:00p.m.

I recommend that Ron Nessen announce at the same time that you have decided to sign the Safe Drinking Water Act .

APPROVE / V (Timmons concurs)

DISAPPROVE