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WASHINGTON, D.C., FEB. 22, 1973 -- Senator Bob Dole today learned that the EPA has revised their proposed regulations that would have required a \$10 license fee on every type of drainage point on every farm.

EPA is attempting to rewrite these regulations to include the following:

(1) Obtain congressional consent that the law provides EPA the right to exempt some points of discharge when they determine these points will not pollute the rivers and streams.

(2) Based on the above EPA would then exempt drainage points found in general farming operations.

(3) EPA would require those farming operations they determine would be polluting rivers and streams to register and meet certain requirements.

EPA indicated that they are tentatively considering:

\* animal feedlots (~~21,000 head of cattle or 2500 head of hogs~~ over 55 lbs.)

\* Dairy farming operations of 700 cows or more

\* poultry operations of 100,000 birds

\* return flow irrigation; with 3,000 acres or more in a single system.

(4) When a state complies with the EPA general guidelines, EPA will allow the state to administer and enforce the program to eliminate duplication.