## United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

October 15, 2007

The Honorable Tom Harkin, Chairman
The Honorable Saxby Chambliss, Ranking Member
Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry
United States Senate
328 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Harkin and Ranking Member Chambliss:

With regard to congressional directed spending in the Farm Bill, I certify that neither I nor my spouse has a pecuniary interest in items concerning the Chesapeake Bay relating to conservation and/or water quality. This is consistent with the requirements of Paragraph 9 in Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely.

Benjamin L. Cardin United States Senator

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