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President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama:

I write to you today to request additional assistance to address the damage caused by the recent floods in Kentucky and my district. Thank you for the individual assistance you have already provided to eight of our counties, as well as the public assistance to seven counties. However, having seen firsthand the damage these floods have caused, I think that the need is still great. I would like to respectfully request that you consider providing additional assistance to the following counties in my district that have been declared in a state of emergency by Governor Beshear: Anderson, Bourbon, Boyle, Clark, Estill, Franklin, Garrard, Jessamine, Madison, Mercer, Montgomery, Powell, and Scott.

As you aware, the Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KyEM) estimates more than \$30 million in damage to public and private property from floods. At a time when Kentucky is still recovering from recent historic ice and wind storms, our state government, local businesses, and families can use all the help that the federal government can provide to get back on their feet.

Thank you again for the support you have already provided to Lincoln and Woodford counties in my district, as well as the other counties in Kentucky. I appreciate your urgent consideration of this request, as well as the Governor's request for this major disaster declaration to be costshared at 100% for public assistance categories A – G and direct federal assistance for the first seven days, beginning on May 1, 2010.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ben Chandler".

Ben Chandler
Member of Congress