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January 14, 2008

The Honorable John Culberson
428 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

BY FAX: 202-225-4381

ATTENTION: Jamie Gahun

Dear Congressman Culberson:

Water Advocates is a non-profit organization dedicated to increasing private and public support for safe drinking water and improved sanitation in the developing world.

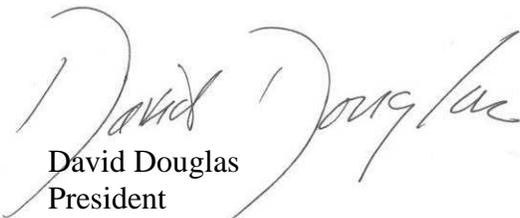
We would like to invite you to accept our “Water Advocate” award in recognition of your leadership in providing \$300 million in the FY 2008 Omnibus Appropriations Bill to implement the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005.

A special awards ceremony will be held in a room in the Capitol on Thursday, February 7, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. to honor you and a select number of other Senators and Members of Congress for helping provide the resources that will allow the State Department and USAID to provide safe, affordable, and sustainable drinking water in the poorest regions of the world.

Mrs. Patricia Derge Simon, the widow of Senator Paul Simon, will host the event. We hope that you will be able to join us for this celebratory evening, honoring your leadership and significant achievement on this important issue.

Please RSVP to Paul Stimers at K&L Gates at 202-661-3883 or paul.stimers@klgates.com to confirm your attendance. On behalf of the millions of people who will be positively affected by your leadership, thank you for your continued efforts in bringing safe, clean and accessible water to those who need it most.

Sincerely,



David Douglas
President
Water Advocates