AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5078, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. RIBBLE OF WISCONSIN

Page 5, after line 15, insert the following:

(4) Rules of construction.—

(A) Exemption for conservation practices.—All soil and water conservation practices shall be treated as normal farming, silviculture, and ranching activities under section 404(f)(1)(A) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1344(f)(1)(A)).

(B) No permit required for discharges incidental to conservation practices.—No soil and water conservation practice shall be treated as a new use of an area of navigable waters, an impairment of the flow and circulation of navigable waters, or a reduction in the reach of such waters under section 404(f)(2) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1344(f)(2)).

(C) Timing.—Normal farming, silviculture, and ranching activities shall be treated as such under section 404(f)(1)(A) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
U.S.C. 1344(f)(1)(A)) without regard to the date of commencement of such activities.