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May 1, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,500,000 for the Chlorine Gas Conversion at Water Treatment Plant project in Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26). The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Hillsborough, located at 101 E. Orange Street, Hillsborough, N.C., 27278. The funding would be used to convert the water treatment plant from a chlorine gas disinfection system to a sodium hypochlorite system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it eliminates the hazards associated with the transport, storage and use of toxic chlorine gas in the community. Additionally, the Town is reliant on a single provider for the supply of chlorine gas, creating a high risk of water supply interruption if that supplier is unwilling or unable to provide chlorine. The project mitigates the potential risk to water supply and eliminates the public safety risk of a chlorine gas leak.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Valerie P. Foushee

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