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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Maquon Wastewater Plant Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Maquon, located at 111 West 4th St, PO Box 109, Maquon, IL, 61458. The funding would be used to dredge their wastewater lagoon and retrofit an effluent pipe in the system between the first and second cell to assist the flow from one pool to the other. The current system is not in compliance with EPA's standards. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because federal assistance will prevent them from raising rates to fund the upgrades required to come into compliance. Federal funds will ease the burden of these upgrades on ratepayers.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,



Eric Sorensen
Member of Congress