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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Monroe Water Treatment Plant Booster Pump Station Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bloomington Utilities, 600 E Miller Drive, Bloomington, IN 47401. The funding would be used to support the critical booster pump stations needed to service constituents in the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, and the students at Indiana University. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Monroe Water Treatment Plant was originally built in the late 1960's and although it has expanded its production rate to 30 million gallons per day, it serves residents of Bloomington, Monroe County, and the even residents of surrounding communities such as Ellettsville and Nashville. As these areas grow, they increasingly rely on the water and utilities infrastructure of the City of Bloomington to meet their clean water needs. This booster pump station project is critically needed to repair and overhaul the City of Bloomington Utilities' booster pumps to continue serving the people living in the area.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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

Sincerely,



Erin Houchin  
Member of Congress