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

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

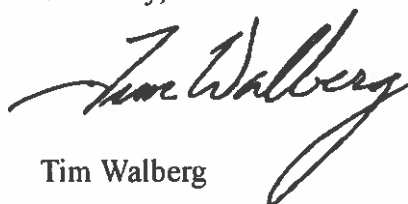
I am requesting funding for EquiFlow: Empower Vicksburg's Underserved Through Water Infrastructure Renewal and Removal of Lead Components in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Village of Vicksburg, located at 126 N. Kalamazoo St. Vicksburg, MI 49097. The funding would be used for the replacement of the watermain and associated residential connections within Priority #2 Area, an area comprised of older residential housing and a Vicksburg Community Schools building. This will replace approximately 160 residential connections and ensure there are no lead components within this water delivery service area.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will replace water-infrastructure system watermain and service lines that date back to the 1940's and are required to be replaced due to the potential of exposure to lead.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 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,



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