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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Community Water Security and Supply Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Anthony, located at 401 Wildcat DR. Anthony, TX. 79821.

The funding would be used for constructing a new municipal water well to increase production capacity, strengthen system reliability, and support future residential and business growth while ensuring a dependable water supply for the community.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it represents a proactive investment in the City's long-term water security and economic stability. Operating at or near maximum capacity exposes the community to significant risk, where any mechanical failure, drought condition, or unexpected surge in demand could trigger service interruptions or mandatory conservation measures affecting residents and businesses. Expanding production capacity improves system redundancy, allowing continued operations even if a well is offline for maintenance or repair, while strengthening resilience during emergencies and ensuring adequate supply for fire protection, public institutions, and critical infrastructure. From a fiscal standpoint, building additional capacity now is more cost-effective than responding to crisis-driven shortages later, particularly as water availability directly influences economic development. Without sufficient supply, the City risks constraining business growth, limiting tax base expansion, and hindering community development. Investing in a new well protects public health, supports sustainable growth, and stabilizes long-term infrastructure performance, positioning the city to meet rising demand responsibly while avoiding costly emergency measures. Ultimately, this is a strategic use of taxpayer funds that ensures reliable, safe water delivery for decades and supports continued community progress.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1383(c) (Section 603(c)).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Veronica Escobar".

Member of Congress