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March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kate Granger
Chairwoman, Committee on
Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member, Committee on
Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$10,000,000 in funding for the Hefner Water Treatment Plant Emergency Power Generation Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Hefner Water Treatment Plant, located at 3827 W. Hefner Road, Oklahoma City, OK 73120. The funding would be used to provide an extra line of defense to ensure water service is available to the metropolitan area during a power outage or disaster, further reducing the risks to public health, welfare, and safety. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Oklahoma's 5th district is primarily served by the Oklahoma City system. The Hefner Water Treatment Plant provides 43 percent of the total system demand. Therefore, the proposed Emergency Power Generation project would benefit Oklahoma City and the surrounding eighteen communities and rural water districts, including Tinker Air Force base.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

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

Sincerely,



Stephanie Bice
Member of Congress