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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20510

May 2, 2025

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Fall River's Lead Service Line Replacement Program in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is located at 1 Government Center, Fall River, MA 02722-7700. The funding would be used for the replacement of up to 250 residential public water service lines suspected to contain lead, which poses a hazard to human health as it dissolves into drinking water.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help maintain Safe Drinking Water Act standards by ensuring that the City of Fall River's water distribution system, defined by the Act as a Community Water System, is providing residents with drinking water that meets the maximum contaminant levels for various contaminants. By replacing lead-contaminated service lines and pipes, the City of Fall River will safeguard drinking water quality and ensure that public drinking water will contain lead levels under the maximum lead contaminant level.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jake Auchincloss". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Jake Auchincloss
Member of Congress