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The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 Capitol Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for “Bellingham Department of Public Works PFAS Treatment Project” in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Town of Bellingham, located at Bellingham Municipal Center, Bellingham, MA, 02019.

The funding would be used to construct a treatment system for the removal of PFAS at the Hartford Avenue Water Treatment Plants. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because water rates in some PFAS-impacted towns have increased by 10% to 20%, which disproportionately impacts low-income households. Federal funding for this project will defray capital costs borne by the users of the Town’s water system.

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 neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

**JAKE AUCHINCLOSS**  
Member of Congress