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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Pierce County Water Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Pierce County Commission, located at 312 Nichols Street, Blackshear, GA 31516.

The funding would be used to connect two water systems and build an additional water line. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide more access to the city water system, allowing residents to have clean water and not rely on private wells. The connection of existing water systems will allow Pierce County to maintain service provision to both residents and businesses in the affected area. These services were previously maintained by the City of Waycross/Ware County, however, following several legal issues and a de-annexation, this is no longer the case. The addition of the new water lines will allow the water service needed for anticipated growth. This will provide reliable access to safe drinking water and wastewater infrastructure in a rural community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,

Earl L. "Buddy" Carter Member of Congress

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