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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

May 9, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Blandford Water Treatment & Distribution System Upgrades, Blandford, Massachusetts in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Blandford, located at 1 Russell Stage Road, Blandford, MA 01008. The funding would be used to upgrade the Town's water treatment facility, including the construction of water main upgrades and replacements, and provide a new storage tank. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a critical water infrastructure need and will allow the Town to service its residents reliably with clean drinking water. 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 blue ink that reads "Richard E. Neal". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Richard E. Neal  
Member of Congress

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