

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Village of New Berlin Drinking Water Infrastructure Upgrades in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of New Berlin, located at 13 S Main St, New Berlin, NY 13411. The funding would be used for replacing the water distribution lines, putting in enhancements to the well house, pump house, and storage facilities. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because village taxpayers are bearing the crushing financial burden of the existing system's deterioration in two ways: First, the increase in basic operations and maintenance costs for the network, and second, a rapidly increasing number of water subscribers (residents and business owners) are now taking expensive prophylactic steps such as purchasing private water purifiers or large volumes of bottled water to ensure an adequate volume of clean, healthy water is available for their businesses or residences.

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,

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Marc Molinaro Member of Congress