April 27, 2021

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Room H-307  
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding to bring potable water to the Avella School facility and surrounding residents for Fiscal Year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Avella Area School District located at 1000 Avella Road, Avella, PA 15312.

The funding, totaling $500,000, would be used for a ductile iron water line and appurtenances.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars as the Avella School facility, which serves roughly 650 students and staff, which currently experiences water quality problems and quantity deficiencies in groundwater sources that require water to be trucked in. A public water supply will eliminate the safety hazard at the school and bring a safe and dependable water supply to the residents along the water line route. The school and most residents in the area utilize private wells and springs that do not produce adequate quantities of quality water for normal daily use, particularly in periods of extended dry weather. This water line extension project will also provide fire protection in the area. A public water supply will improve the safety and supply for the area and eliminate water trucking costs for the school.

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

Very respectfully,

Guy Reschenthaler  
Member of Congress