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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, DC 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Wastewater Treatment UV System Replacement project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of New Canaan, located at 77 Main Street, New Canaan, Connecticut 06840.

The funding would be used for the replacement of the Town of New Canaan Wastewater Treatment Facility's 27-year-old Ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system. The funding will go to the construction of a new room for a parallel UV channel with a new effluent flow meter, a new secondary effluent flow splitter box and the replacement of manually operated handwheels with motor-actuated operators on slide gates. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the new UV disinfection system will provide continuous, uninterrupted disinfection and provide resiliency in the face of storm surges and extreme weather. The whole system will provide greater, more reliable public safety by keeping uncleaned wastewater out of the Five Mile River system, which empties into the Long Island Sound.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Himes", written over a horizontal line.

JIM HIMES  
Member of Congress