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April 30, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1026 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting fiscal year 2022 community project funding for the Wastewater Treatment Facilities Upgrade project in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The public entity to receive funding for this project is the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority (VIWMA), located at 1 A&B Demarara, Charlotte Amalie, St Thomas, VI 00802. The project will benefit VIWMA wastewater treatment facilities at Anguilla, St. Croix, VI 00820; Bordeaux, St. Thomas, VI 00802; Mangrove Lagoon, St. Thomas, VI 00802; and Cruz Bay, St. John, VI 00830. This project is estimated to cost \$1.4 million.

The requested funding would be used by VIWMA for the purchase of 1 Wastewater Treatment Tank (\$500,000), 2 Drying Bends (\$100,000 each), 1 Pump Replacement-Influent Wet Well (\$400,000), and 1 Sludge Dewatering System (\$300,000). This project is a sound use of taxpayer funding because all this equipment will be used to maintain and improve wastewater treatment operations and upgrade the wastewater infrastructure of VIWMA on St. Croix, St. Thomas, and St. John, respectively. This will allow VIWMA to better protect human health and the environment in the Virgin Islands.

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

Sincerely,

Stacey E. Plaskett