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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Chehalis Decant Facility and Drying Beds Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Chehalis, located at 2007 NE Kresky Avenue, Chehalis, WA 98532. The funding would be used to design, permit, and construct a municipal Decant Facility with integrated Drying Beds at the City's Water Reclamation Facility. This project will provide a centralized, environmentally compliant location to manage wet waste generated from municipal operations including street sweeping, sewer system maintenance, and vacuum truck operations. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because drying beds will further enhance cost savings by removing excess water from collected materials before disposal. This reduces the weight and volume of waste transported to disposal facilities, significantly lowering hauling frequency and tipping fees. These operational savings will lower costs for taxpayers.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in 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 blue ink, appearing to read 'MGP'.

Marie Gluesenkamp Perez
Member of Congress