Dear Chairwoman Pingree and Ranking Member Joyce:

I am requesting $197,619 for Farmer City Water Plant Sand Filter Rehabilitation in fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Farmer City, located at 105 South Main Street, Farmer City, IL 61842. The project itself is located at 200 Murphy Drive, Farmer City, IL 61842.

The funding would be used for recoating of the interior of the plant’s sand filter vessel, rebuilding of the underdrain system, and replacement of the filter media. Filtration is a crucial step in the water treatment process. Filter rehabilitation of these existing units is a necessary step to bring filtration optimization back in line with original water quality. The updates will modernize the system and increase the life of the filters, improve efficiency, and prevent further underdrain failures. This will help the utility provide better quality water to the public.

Good quality drinking water is an essential part of a healthy, prosperous community. The water will not only be safer, but also taste better and have more clarity as well. By improving the efficiency of the plant it will use less energy, less water, and keep operating costs as low as possible. This in turn helps the environment and reduces the future financial burden on residents of the community.

I thank you for your consideration of this important request.

Sincerely,

Rodney Davis
Member of Congress