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Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the City of Mesa Vault Meter Rehabilitation in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Mesa, located at 20 E Main Street, Mesa, AZ, 85201. Their mailing address City of Mesa, PO Box 1466, Mesa, AZ, 85211.

The funding would be used to replace failing large-diameter water meters in a lower-income area of central Mesa and relocation of those facilities above ground. Specifically, the requested federal funding will be utilized for equipment and materials.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will allow the City to detect unusual consumption to identify leaks, resulting in significant water waste reduction, cost savings, and system reliability for commercial/industrial customers. Additionally, the rehabilitation upgrades are necessary to comply with OSHA regulations and to reduce confined space safety hazards to personnel. This is especially important as the arid southwest faces the continuing effects of long-term drought and water shortage. The new meters for this project are an upgrade in metering technology and are compatible with Automated Meter Infrastructure (Smart Meters) allowing for more accurate metering and real-time consumption data reporting. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized 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,

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