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The Honorable Tom Cole, Chairman The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives The Honorable Mike Simpson, Chairman The Honorable Chellie Pingree, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Committee on Appropriations

RE: Solids Handling Facilities Improvements

Dear Chairmen Cole and Simpson and Ranking Members DeLauro and Pingree:

I respectfully request \$6,000,000 for the Solids Handling Facilities Improvements Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (Central San) located at 5019 Imhoff Place, Martinez, CA 94553. While the recipient is headquartered in California's 10th Congressional District, the proposed project is in my district.

This community project funding would be used to modernize the solids handling facilities for this municipal wastewater management system by installing more energy-efficient and state-of-the-art air pollution control equipment. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will reduce centrifuge energy use by 50 percent and reduce particulate matter emissions by some 30 percent, ensuring compliance with federal and state air quality regulations. 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.).

Pursuant to Clause 17 of Rule XXIII of the U.S. House of Representatives, I certify that I have no financial interest in this project and neither does anyone in my immediate family. Thank you for your leadership and consideration of my request.

Sincerely, The state of the sta

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