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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Delaware River Basin Commission in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Delaware River Basin Commission, located at P.O. Box 7360, 25 Cosey Road, West Trenton, NJ 08628.

The funding would be used for several Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) programs that result in water security and clean water for our rivers, streams, reservoirs, groundwater. These include: DRBC leading research and monitoring on PFAS and other contaminants of emerging concern (CECs) and support for the states PFAS action plans, DRBC water quality monitoring programs, DRBC programs that provide special protection for waters of exceptional value, DRBC programs to clean up legacy pollutants (like PCB) that impact water quality, DRBC programs to control pollution from wastewater discharges, DRBC programs to make improvements to aquatic life habitat, and DRBC supports for state of the art modeling of water quality and flow. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Basin spans 13,539 square miles, includes parts of four states, all or portions of 42 counties, 868 municipalities, multiple government entities and jurisdictions, and twenty-two congressional districts.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Delaware River Basin Compact (PL 87-328) and further authorized by P.L. 113-121, Section 4001.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress