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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP) Certified Lab Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Edinburg, located at 415 W. University Dr., Edinburg, TX 78541. The funding would be used to help the City of Edinburg facilitate compliance with national drinking water regulations. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the public relies on the City of Edinburg's water infrastructure to meet everyday life needs, as water has wide-ranging impacts on public safety and health. The proposed National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program (NELAP) Certified Lab Project aims to transform the City's ability to continue providing essential water services to the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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

Sincerely,

Monica De La Cruz Member of Congress 15<sup>th</sup> District of Texas