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April 29, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Narragansett Avenue Water Main Rehabilitation in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Newport, located at 43 Broadway, Newport, RI 02840.

This funding will be used for the rehabilitation of approximately 1,700 feet of the twenty-inch cast iron transmission main located in Narragansett Avenue, between Bellevue Avenue and Annandale Road in Newport, RI. The eighty-year-old main, which transmits drinking water to the southern end of the City, would be cleaned and lined. Additionally, all valves, hydrants, and individual water services will be replaced along the route. The City of Newport and its residents are serviced by the Newport Water Division (NWD), which operates and manages the source water reservoirs, treatment plants, storage tanks, and distribution system throughout Newport. The NWD has developed a long-term infrastructure replacement and planning program in order to continue its mission of providing high-quality drinking water to its customers. As part of this plan, NWD has identified the rehabilitation and replacement of transmission pipes, those greater than twenty inches in diameter, as a priority because the failure of these mains would result in significant impacts to water supply and pressure on the entire distribution system. The transmission main in Narragansett Avenue falls into this priority category for rehabilitation, as it is a conduit for distributing water to the southern portion of Newport. In February 2021, a transmission main failure occurred, which resulted in a drop in pressure and led to a cautionary boil water advisory. This investment would help prevent future service interruptions for City residents while ensuring access to high-quality water.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David Cicilline".

David Cicilline
Member of Congress

