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May 2, 2024

Tom Cole, Chairman Rosa L. DeLauro, Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations H-307 in the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the MDCFWOI Food Distribution System Improvement Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the North Delta Planning & Development District, Inc. located at 220 Power Drive Batesville, Mississippi 38606. The funding would be used to purchase equipment and provide for building improvements to the current facility. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide critical upgrades to the food distribution infrastructure system. This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a). I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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