

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-4206**

May 10, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
2362-B RHOB  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa De Lauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
2362-B RHOB  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Development of Cumberland Valley Port for the Tennessee Central Economic Authority for Fiscal Year FY25.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tennessee Central Economic Authority (TCEA), located at 702 E McMurry Blvd, Hartsville, TN 37074.

This funding will be used for developing a dock terminal on the Cumberland River in Trousdale County, a historically disadvantaged community, to serve the agriculture and cargo industries.

This project will be an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the port will facilitate the transport of dry bulk materials and general cargo, benefiting 14 counties in the region.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 46 USC 54301.

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

Sincerely,



John Rose  
Member of Congress