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Congressman Sean Patrick Maloney  
123 Grand Street- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Newburgh NY 12550

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Dear Congressman Maloney:

On March 1, 2021, Lewisboro received a letter from the Westchester County Health Department stating that the Town of Lewisboro- owned Oakridge Water District had exceeded the maximum contamination level for PFOS of 10 parts per trillion during the first quarter of 2021 by averaging 14.5 parts per trillion. It should be noted that this was as a result of New York State having recently revised its Sanitary Code to lower the acceptable level from 70 parts per trillion to a new standard of 10 parts per trillion.

While the District has taken short term measures to come into compliance by reducing the number of wells with high PFOS levels, it is clear that a longer- term solution is necessary. That solution is to use Granulated Activated Carbon filters to process the water at an estimated cost of \$1.6 million. The size of this sum is in partially due to the need to expand the water plant to accommodate the size of this new carbon filtration system.

This is an urgent need. Oakridge Water District serves many condominiums, including middle income and affordable units. The district also serves single family homes, a shopping center and a childcare center. Clean healthy water is critical and important to the well- being of Lewisboro residents.

I strongly support the application by the Town of Lewisboro for Community Project Funding through the State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) program to be applied towards this effort.

Sincerely,

Assemblymember Chris Burdick  
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