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Mr. Jerry Soholt, Chair
Joe Foss Building
523 E Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: ARPA Grant #2022G-ARP-187

Dear Mr. Soholt:

On March 14, 2024 Governor Noem signed into law Senate Bill 53, which appropriated \$89,384,221 of American Recovery Plan Act funds for water and sewer infrastructure. These funds will be awarded by the Board of Water and Natural Resources to eligible projects. It is our understanding that projects that have received a previous ARPA grant, provide service to a regional area, and have eligible costs remaining for reimbursement can request consideration for these funds. The City of Rapid City was awarded a \$43,500,000 ARPA grant #2022G-ARP-187 on April 13, 2022 for the WRF South Plant Improvements Project.

We have been notified by the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resource that the City of Rapid City can be considered for up to \$9,000,000 in additional ARPA grant funds. The City of Rapid City is formally requesting consideration by the Board of Water and Natural Resources for these additional funds to be awarded. The City has SRF loans totaling \$136,000,000 in addition to the previous \$43,500,000 awarded ARPA grant. The City opened bids on April 2, 2024 for the WRF South Plant Improvements Project, and the project would benefit greatly in receiving additional ARPA funds. The additional funds would allow the City greater flexibility in funding this essential project.

Enclosed to support this request is a revised resolution authorizing the request for the additional funding.

Sincerely,

Jason Salamun,
Mayor of Rapid City

Cc: Dale Tech, CORC Public Works Director; Stacey Titus, CORC Assistant Public Work Director;
Dave Van Cleave, Water Rec. Superintendent; Jennifer Sietsema, BHCLG