

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3218

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Director Willie C. Taylor
U.S. Economic Development Administration
The Curtis Center
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Dear Director Taylor,

I am writing in support of a grant application for the Hudson Valley Lighting infrastructure project submitted by the City of Newburgh to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

As you are aware, this project requires funding that goes beyond normal development costs. However, the award of this request has the potential to impact economic development in ways that have not been seen in the region to date. The investment will result in the redevelopment of a former landfill and Brownfield site into a modern, tax-paying manufacturing and distribution facility. In addition, the impact of this critical investment will also attract investors to the adjacent vacant and underutilized sites, thus providing economic growth for the City of Newburgh outside of the private partner associated with the application.

The award of this request will immediately create a substantial amount of jobs with a higher wage and skill set utilized by residents of the City of Newburgh itself, who will be given placement priority over non-residents. Upon completion, this project and the investment assistance provided by the EDA will open up the largest tract of industrial land in the City of Newburgh for redevelopment and positively impact the overall economic condition, not only in the City, but throughout the region. As a result, the partnership formed through the award of this application will have a cost-benefit analysis associated with it that should be used as a benchmark throughout the Country.

Therefore, I am in full support of this important investment and I am grateful for your attention to this request. In order to keep my office informed about this project, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my Deputy District Director, Joseph Donat, by phone at (845) 561-1259 or via email at Joseph.Donat@mail.house.gov. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration as both are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Sean Patrick Maloney
Member of Congress