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Ms. Christine Frost
Program Director
Northern Border Regional Commission
James Cleveland Federal Building, Suite 3602
53 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Ms. Frost,

I write in support of the application submitted by the Town of Herkimer for funding from the Economic and Infrastructure Development Investment Program through the Northern Border Regional Commission. This funding will be used to support the Town of Herkimer's East Herkimer Sewer Project, which will extend the Town's municipal sanitary sewer lines and provide new opportunity for economic growth in the community.

The Town of Herkimer has a population of over 10,000 residents and hosts students at Herkimer County Community College and visitors to the area that support the tourism economy. Located southeast of the City of Utica, the Town is also home to the Herkimer County BOCES educational center, the Herkimer Central School District Elementary School, and the Valley Health Services Assisted Living Complex.

The requested funding will be used to extend the Town of Herkimer's municipal sanitary sewer line over a 46-acre, commercially-zoned area. Currently, this part of town is served by individual septic systems, which limits commercial development due to their outdated structure. By extending the Town's existing sewer line, the East Herkimer Sewer Project will allow both new and current businesses to grow, creating new economic opportunity within the Town of Herkimer and greater Herkimer County community.

I ask that you please give this application your full consideration. If you have any questions, or desire further information, please do not hesitate to contact my staff member, Laura Driscoll, at (202) 224-4451.

Sincerely,



Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator