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Mr. Robert Rice
Director
Division of Land Restoration
WV Dept. of Environmental Protection
601/57th Street SE
Charleston, West Virginia 25304-0001

Dear Mr. Rice.

I have been alerted that the Raleigh County Public Service District, with the assistance of the Region 1 Planning and Development Council, is submitting a grant application to the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection under the 2019 Abandoned Mine Lands Economic and Community Development Pilot Program,

I am writing to express my support for the Raleigh Public Service District, their project partners, and this application. I understand that, if approved, funding provided by this opportunity will be utilized for the Rhodell Water Service upgrade project. Specifically, this project will extend Raleigh PSD public water service to approximately 150 residents in the Rhodell community through the installation of three miles of six inch waterline.

I greatly appreciate your noting my interest in this application and providing it a full and fair review. I am proud to lend my support this this project and others like it that seek to enhance community infrastructure and improve the lives of West Virginians. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

With warmest regards,

Joe Manchin III

United States Senator

Cc: Travis Parsons, WV DEP

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