April 21, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Microgrid installation for the Municipal Service Center in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Thousand Oaks, located at: 2100 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362.

The funding would be used for installation of a battery energy storage system with accompanying microgrid electrical infrastructure, including switch gear, metering, inverter, controls system, and related system components to allow for off-grid autonomous operation of the City’s Municipal Service Center (MSC) facility during wildfires and power outages. The $1,875,000 in federal funds will go toward the design, construction, and installation. The MSC is considered critical infrastructure to our community. The MSC supports utility services such as water and wastewater, street and landscape maintenance, as well as public buses and fleet. MSC serves as one of the City's primary emergency operations centers. Microgrids provide resilient power supply during natural disasters and for emergency operations. A microgrid system will utilize onsite solar energy production during power outages and reduce the need for diesel generator use and thereby reduce greenhouse gas and air pollution emissions.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

JULIA BROWNLEY
Member of Congress