

**U.S. House of Representatives**  
**Rep. Sharice L. Davids**  
**Kansas Third District**

May 7, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for BPU Electric Grid System Improvements in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Kansas City Board of Public Utilities, located at 540 Minnesota Ave, Kansas City, KS, 66101. The funding would be used for the construction of three additional feeders from the new Rosedale Substation to the University of Kansas (KU) Medical Center campus. Two of the feeders will serve as redundant ties to the KU Medical Center and The University of Kansas Hospital primary feeds, and a third will be extended to the north side of the KU Medical Center campus where a major expansion is planned. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these improvements are needed to ensure the most reliable electric service possible to the KU Medical Center campus, as well as new enhancements to benefit the neighborhoods and communities in the southeast Kansas City, Kansas geographic area. These system upgrades will ensure that the community has access to the best health care possible, create new health related jobs, and provide economic stimulus and further development in once underserved areas of eastern and southeastern Wyandotte County.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Sharice L. Davids  
Member of Congress

