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Senator Todd Sieben  
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Dear Senator Sieben:

Recently the Lost Lake Utility District was created by popular mandate. I have been given the honor to act as its chairman.

The reason the district was created is to attempt to resolve a series of difficult issues surrounding the potable water and wastewater of the Lost Lake area. In particular both the water and sewage systems are in violation with regulations and have been for some time.

The present owner of the utility is in contempt of court and is facing a jail term. This situation not only is harming the local environment, it is causing significant uncertainty and distress to the homeowners.

We are attempting to gain low interest government loans or grants to purchase the assets of the utility provider. Unfortunately, there is a "catch 22." The district cannot obtain such loans and grants to bring the system into compliance until it is in possession of the utility assets. In that we cannot obtain the assets without the loans or grants it puts the board in a difficult situation.

Congressman Manzullo's office is assisting us in finding finance. Congressman Manzullo's Deputy Chief of Staff, additionally strongly recommended that we contact you to see if any local assistance is available to resolve this significant environmental concern.

There is a sense of urgency to this request. Please call me or contact me using the above listed e-mail address for any additional details that you may require.

Thank you for your consideration of assisting us in this important community and environmental project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph C. Olliges".

Joseph C. Olliges

Copy to:      Bryan Davis  
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