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Dear Senator Fonfara, Representative Widlitz and members of the Finance Committee,

I support funding for DEEP to provide Brownfield remediation and urban reclamation of polluted properties.

I also support funding for Clean Water Funds as long as it is stipulated that this money be available for source control in CSO management per EPA guidelines for CSO management published in 1995 in which they state that source control is an important component in any long-term plan to reduce CSOs. "3.3.5.1 Source Controls. Source controls affect the quantity or quality of runoff that enters the collection system. Since source controls reduce the volumes, peak flows, or pollutant loads entering the collection system, the size of more capital-intensive downstream control measures can be reduced or, in some cases, the need for downstream facilities eliminated. The source controls discussed below include both quantity control and quality control measures: page 128 United States Environmental Protection Agency, Office Of Water EPA 832-B-95-002 (4204) September 1995.

Currently, our state refuses to allow Clean Water Funds to be used for these controls that are cost effective, create jobs, solve both CSO and storm water management, and replenish fresh water underneath our city, New Haven. Our sewer plant is applying for permits to proceed with their LTCP to manage CSO under state consent order. Citizens want a mixture of gray and green infrastructures to be used in the LTCP but we are told that the state will not use Clean Water Funds for this purpose. We need these funds to be available for source control as well as gray infrastructures (pipes and sewer plant expansion).

Thank you,
Sincerely,
Lynne Bonnett