

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Adam Smith
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Rogers
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Rogers:

I am requesting funding for the design of P034, Communications Center and Infrastructure Upgrades in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is Marine Support Facility Blount Island, located at 9620 Dave Rawls Boulevard, Jacksonville, Florida 32226.

The funding would be used to complete the design to replace and upgrade existing data and voice communication infrastructure throughout the installation to the entry point of buildings, including excavation of existing underground communication utility routes, installation of concrete-encased ductbank, replacement of deteriorated manholes and handholes, and replacement of fiber and copper cable. It will also install new underground communication infrastructure to add redundant loops to the system and provide a two-story concrete-framed Communications Center with reinforced concrete masonry unit walls, standing seam metal roof, and pile foundations.

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

Sincerely,



John H. Rutherford
Member of Congress