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Dear Representative Nathe, Chairman, House Appropriations – Education and Environment Division

We are writing to express our strong support for the Department of Commerce Appropriations bill, SB 2018, which funds critical economic development programs in North Dakota. As the Founders of Blue Rock Solutions, LLC dba Blue Comply, we have directly benefited from the Legacy Investment for Technology (LIFT) Program, which has been instrumental in starting our business.

The funding provided through this program allowed us to:

- · Hire new employees and expand our in-house design and development capabilities
- Further develop our existing patented solution
- Team with potential clients on various Pilot Projects to demonstrate our product capabilities
- · Leverage other funding sources

Without this support, it would have been significantly more challenging to further advance and develop our technology to the point of field testing and pilot projects. This funding allowed us to accelerate the development and commercialization of our technology. Programs like LIFT not only help individual businesses but also contribute to North Dakota's broader economic development by fostering innovation, job creation, and industry growth.

We urge you to support LIFT in SB 2018 to ensure businesses like ours continue to have access to the resources necessary for success. Thank you for your time and consideration. If you would like to discuss our experience further, please feel free to contact us at 701-347-1250.

Sincerely,

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