

December 9, 2008 - Murtha: USDA Approves \$6.9 million in Funds for Alexandria/Derry Township Sewage Project

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Congressman

John P. Murtha (PA-12) announced today that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, has approved a grant of \$3,210,000 and a loan of \$3,771,000 to Derry Township Municipal Authority for construction of a new sewage treatment plant and collection system in Westmoreland County.

The proposed project will provide sanitary sewer service to approximately 258 users in the Borough of New Alexandria and approximately 99 users in the Township of Derry. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$7.3 million, with connection/tap fees accounting expected to generate \$357,000.

“Providing adequate sewage and water treatment to our rural communities is an absolute priority of mine,” said Murtha. “These projects improve our quality of life and are catalysts for attracting economic growth. I’m pleased that President Elect-Obama is working on an infrastructure stimulus package, and I hope that funding for sewage and water projects are included within the plan.”

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