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Dear Ms Davies

**Challenge Fund grant application**

Further to your recent enquiry about this application and Bristol Water's support for the project, I hope you will find the following information useful.

Bristol Water is a water supply company, providing drinking water to a population of just over a million people in an area of one thousand square miles centred on Bristol. Our activities in this area involve significant engineering schemes, roadworks and business travel totalling over four million business miles per year in the area - all these activities can be seriously affected by failure of highway drainage systems as this can prevent essential works or our travel between operational sites.

We therefore support South Gloucester Council's application for this Challenge Fund Grant application to improve the resilience of the highway drainage system, particularly in light of the additional long-term resilience that this project aims to deliver in the face of ongoing climate change.

Yours sincerely

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