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Mr. Don Fox  
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Dear Mr. Fox:

I am writing in response to your letter of July 13, 2011, requesting approval for the U.S. Office of Government Ethics' (OGE) proposal to retain 50 percent of the unobligated balances remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2010. The Committee understands that the OGE intends to use the funds, totaling \$46,000, to obtain the services of a public accounting firm for OGE's annual audit and also for OGE accounting services. The funds would remain available until September 30, 2011.

The Committee has reviewed your request and has no objection. Accordingly, your request is approved.

Sincerely,



Jo Ann Emerson  
Chairman

Subcommittee on Financial Services and  
General Government

Cc: The Honorable José E. Serrano  
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Mr. Don W. Fox  
Acting Director  
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Dear Mr. Fox:

The Senate Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government Appropriations has received your letter dated July 13, 2011, requesting approval of your proposal to retain up to 50 percent of the fiscal year 2010 unobligated balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2010. Your letter explains that you plan to use the majority of funds, totaling \$46,003, to obtain the services of a public accounting firm, in order to comply with the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002, for OGE's annual audit, and also for agency accounting services.

The Committee has reviewed the information submitted and has no objection. Therefore, the Committee approves this request.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Durbin  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Financial Services  
and General Government

cc: Senator Jerry Moran  
Ranking Member