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September 2, 2010

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
Chairman
Subcommittee on Financial Services
and General Government
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
184 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Durban:

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Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental
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United States Senate
340 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Jose Serrano
Chairman
Subcommittee on Financial Services
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United States House of Representatives
B-300 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-6015

Dear Chairman Serrano:

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Honorable Edolphus Towns
Chairman
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The Honorable Jo Ann Emerson
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Dear Ms. Emerson:

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The Honorable Darrell E. Issa
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