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Dear Mr. Fox:

I am writing in response to your letter of June 5, 2012, requesting approval for the Office of Government Ethic's proposal to retain 50 percent of the unobligated balances remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2011. The Committee understands that you plan to use the funds, totaling \$32,457, to retain auditing and accounting services. The funds would remain available until September 30, 2012.

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

Sincerely, Mun Guno

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Cc: The Honorable José E. Serrano Ranking Member DANIEL K. INOUYE, HAWAII, CHAIRMAN THAD COCHRAN, MISSISSIPPI, VICE CHAIRMAN

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Mr. Don W. Fox Acting Director United States Office of Government Ethics 1201 New York Avenue. N.W., Suite 500 Washington, D.C. 20005-3917

Dear Mr. Fox:

The Senate Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government Appropriations has received your letter dated June 11, 2012, requesting approval of your proposal to retain up to 50 percent of the fiscal year 2011 unobligated balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2011. Your letter explains that you plan to use the majority of funds, totaling \$32,457, 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 for 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