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MEMORANDUM

TO: Designated Agency Ethics Officials

FROM: Robert I. Cusick
Director

SUBJECT: OGE Begins Compliance Assessment of the Ethics Pledge
(Executive Order 13490)

The United States Office of Government Ethics (OGE) has begun an assessment of agency compliance with the Ethics Pledge requirement of Executive Order 13490, "Ethics Commitments by Executive Branch Personnel" (January 21, 2009). See DAEOgram DO-09-022.

The assessment questionnaire was distributed to Designated Agency Ethics Officials (DAEO) on July 31, 2009 via email. The DAEO is responsible for ensuring a coordinated response to the assessment on behalf of the agency. Each agency is required to submit a response to the questionnaire by August 17, 2009.

Because the Ethics Pledge is an important component of the ethics program, it is essential that each agency provides a prompt and accurate response to the assessment. If you are a DAEO and did not receive the questionnaire or have questions, please contact Karen Rigby, Lead Management Analyst, Program Review Division, at (202) 482-9212 or at ethics_official_survey@oge.gov. You may also contact Dale Christopher, Associate Director, Program Review Division, at (202) 482-9224.