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MEMORANDUM

TO: Designated Agency Ethics Officials

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SUBJECT: Proposed Revisions to the Public and Confidential Financial Disclosure Forms

The U.S. Office of Government Ethics (OGE) has published notices in the July 11, 2018, issue of the Federal Register pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act requesting comments on revisions to the Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e) and the Executive Branch Confidential Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 450). *See Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report, 83 Fed. Reg. 32,122-32,123 (July 11, 2018)*¹ and *Executive Branch Confidential Financial Disclosure Report, 83 Fed. Reg. 32,123-32,124 (July 11, 2018)*,² respectively. Instructions regarding how to comment are provided in the notice. Comments are due by September 10, 2018.

On October 5, 2016, OGE published a proposed rule for amending 5 C.F.R part 2634, which contains the provisions that govern public and confidential financial disclosure in the executive branch. *See Executive Branch Financial Disclosure, Qualified Trusts, and Certificates of Divestiture, 81 Fed. Reg. 69,204-69,238 (October 5, 2016)*.³ The proposed revisions to the OGE Form 278e and OGE Form 450 incorporate these proposed amendments.

Agency ethics officials who have questions about this Program Advisory should contact their OGE Desk Officer.

¹ Available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/07/11/2018-14840/agency-information-collection-activities-proposed-collection-comment-request-for-a-modified-oge-form>.

² Available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/07/11/2018-14841/agency-information-collection-activities-proposed-collection-comment-request-for-a-modified-oge-form>

³ Available at <https://www.oge.gov/Web/OGEnsf/Federal%20Register%20Issuances/A2047D240834678C8525804300494B0E?opendocument>

