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Dear Ms. Finlayson:

I am writing in response to the United States Office of Government Ethics' (OGE) letter of May 12, 2016, requesting approval for the OGE proposal to expend 50 percent of the unobligated balances remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2015. The Committee understands that OGE plans to use the funds, totaling \$200,592, for a one-time mission critical expense to further secure and enhance *Integrity*, OGE's executive branch-wide electronic filing system for public financial disclosures. The funds would remain available until September 30, 2016.

The Committee has reviewed OGE's request and has no objection.

Sincerely,

NDER CRENSHAW

Chairman

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