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March 30, 2012

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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The Honorable Jo Ann Emerson  
Chairwoman  
Subcommittee on Financial Services  
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Committee on Appropriations  
United States House of Representatives  
B-300 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madame Chairwoman:

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The Honorable Darrell Issa  
Chairman  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
United States House of Representatives  
2157 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman  
Chairman  
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
United States Senate  
340 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Susan M. Collins  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs  
United States Senate  
344 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ms. Collins:

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The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
United States House of Representatives  
2471 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Cummings:

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Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Financial Services  
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United States Senate  
125 Hart Senate Office Building  
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Dear Mr. Moran:

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Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Financial Services  
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United States House of Representatives  
1016 Longworth House Office Building  
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